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Class of '04 pres. resigns

■ **StuCo:** Alleman also drops out of VPIR race, Chen now class president

BY JULIE TREMAINE
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

Sophomore Class President Bob Alleman announced at the weekly Student Council meeting on Tuesday that he has resigned from his position on Student Council to pursue other interests.

Alleman also withdrew his candidacy for Vice President for Institutional Relations for the 2002-2003 academic year.

Former Sophomore Class Vice President Simone Chen is now the class president. Alleman said that he had pledged to help Chen with her transition and that he is "confident that she and the other officers of the Class of 2004 will see to it that business proceeds as usual."

"The bottom line is, my heart simply hasn't been in it lately," Alleman said. "I first ran for Council because I thought there was some way to bring to our school the sense of community that many people agree it desperately lacks."

He continued, "I have learned that that [sense of community] is far beyond the boundaries of the Student Council and especially my own."

He affirmed that, "Council members work very hard. No one can question that," but that the work they do is seriously limited. "When I look back on my time here," said Alleman, "I can't really say that we're any better off now" than when he began his Student Council career as freshman class president.

Student Council, said Alleman, is "a very fair representation of [Johns Hopkins]. It has ambition, intelligence and the drive to achieve its goals, but no love." But, as he said in

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A fight spilled out onto E. 33rd St. outside the Pike house last Thursday.

Fraternity brothers brawl outside Pike

BY JEREMIAH CRIM
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THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

A shouting match between members of the Pi Kappa Alpha (Pike), Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) and Alpha Delta Phi (WaWa) fraternities last Wednesday escalated into alleged violence between Pike and SAE the next day.

According to a Hopkins Security report, the Security department received a call at 2:21 a.m. on Feb. 21, citing disorderly students. The report went on to say that upon arrival at the Unit Block of E. 33rd Street, the location of the Pike and WaWa houses, two Security officers saw WaWa brothers yelling outside of the Pike House, with some SAE brothers present.

According to the report, there were a total of 20-25 students in the street,

all of whom dispersed peacefully. The Baltimore City Police Department was notified by Pike at 2:30 a.m. and

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Weiss appointed KSAS Dean without nationwide search

BY CARA GITLIN
AND MIKE SPECTOR
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

University administration officials said last week that Daniel Weiss's appointment to the position of James B. Knapp Dean of the Krieger School of Arts and Sciences (KSAS) was done without conducting a national search in order to establish continuity in the position, as well as to ensure that the KSAS Strategic Plan is implemented expediently.

Weiss will replace Richard McCarty, who is stepping down from the position, effective June 30. Weiss's nomination was submitted to and officially approved by the Board of Trustees at a Feb. 11 meeting.

According to President William R. Brody, McCarty had Weiss in mind to be his successor early on.

"When Dick McCarty took office, he and I agreed that he would try to identify his successor — since Dick did not want to serve for a five-year term — and try to groom that person," Brody said. "Dick identified several people early on, but it became clear after serving as chair of the strategic plan for KSAS and the Dean of the Faculty that Dan Weiss was that person."

When asked if there was precedent for appointing a dean without conducting a national search, Brody said, "Yes, it happens — not fre-



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Daniel Weiss will succeed Richard McCarty as KSAS Dean as of July 1.

quently, but it is not rare in academia."

Brody also said that maintaining continuity in the deanship was a major factor in appointing Weiss. KSAS has had six different deans in the past nine years, including three interim deans. Weiss is signed on for a five-year term.

Despite the lack of a national search, many members of the faculty and administration were consulted.

"When I was asked about this, we all agreed that nothing should happen until a significant number of faculty were consulted, and they were,"

said Weiss. "Department chairs were consulted, as were members of the Academic Council who are leaders on the faculty. And if you add those two numbers together, that's larger than any faculty search committee would be. So it was a consultative process, it just wasn't a national search."

McCarty said he has faith in Weiss's ability to move from his current position as Dean of the Faculty and take over as Dean of KSAS.

"This is going to be a totally seamless transition," said McCarty. "And I'm really glad about that."

McCarty hopes that Weiss' term as Dean of KSAS will mark the beginning of a long period of stability for the University. "We have gone through a 12-year period of what

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Davis makes All Academic Team



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Davis was one of 20 selected to the 2002 All-USA Academic Team.

BY AUDREY HENDERSON
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Johns Hopkins University junior Daniel Davis has been selected as one of 20 college students in the United States to join the 2002 All-USA Academic Team. The annual competition, which is sponsored by *USA Today* and several national educational associations, honored Davis and the

other awardees on two full-color pages in the Feb. 27 issue of *USA Today*. Davis will also receive \$2,500 as part of the award.

"These are students who represent outstanding students nationwide," said Tracy Biggs, a spokesman at *USA Today*. "We had over 600 nominees from across the country and these students were really outstanding."

Davis, who holds the distinction of being the only junior on the selected team of students, is a double-degree candidate at the Homewood campus and at the Peabody Conservatory, where he majors in history and composition.

History professor Jeffrey Brooks approached Davis last semester and told him that he would like to nominate him for the national award. Davis' faculty advisor Michael Johnson and Chris Theofanidis, who is Davis' composition teacher at the Peabody Conservatory, also wrote letters of recommendation to the judges. Davis, who is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, learned in late January that he had been selected as one of the 20 winners.

"Dr. Brooks told me it was a long shot," said Davis. "I was very surprised to learn that I had been selected. It's all very flattering."

Davis' ability to combine his interest in history with his love for music gave him a unique story to tell in his personal essay to the competition judges.

"There are a lot of history majors out there, but there aren't a lot who want to be professional composers," said Davis. "My historical research has allowed me to explore music and art."

Davis composed an original chamber opera, "From Obscure People," that premiered in May 2001 at the Peabody Opera Theater. He wrote the text, the scenario and the actual music for the opera by drawing upon his interest and research in the cultural history of the American South.

"I believe that I can better detail the cultural and emotional implications of a historical trend through music and words than simply through words alone. Likewise, I have found that the addition of dramatic and literary elements to my music helps to add a new level of societal relevance and directness that would be harder to grasp in music alone," Davis wrote in his personal essay to the judges.

In addition to his composition work, Davis is also studying piano and tuba and has been able to combine his interest in history with his musical performances. In December 2000, he performed "From the Diary of Mary Chestnut," a piece based on Civil War diaries, at the Peabody Thursday Noon Recital Series.

Davis says that he plans on writing a historically based opera for his honors thesis next year. He is currently trying to decide on a subject that will allow him to include a large research component into his work. He says that he is fortunate to be able to combine his majors of study.

"I want to be a musician and I love to write," he said.

Hopkins tuition to increase

BY CHARLES DONEFER
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

The Board of Trustees approved a tuition increase of \$1,180, or 4.5 percent, for the Krieger School of Arts and Sciences and the Whiting School of Engineering at their February meeting.

In terms of the raw dollar amount and the percentage of tuition, which will rise to \$27,390 with the increase, the raise is the smallest increase in four years. Last year's tuition hike was 5.1 percent, while the previous increase was 5.4 percent, according to a University press release. The previous two increases included a \$330 fee for operating costs associated with the Mattin Center and the student Recreation Center.

According to the press release, which was not released to the general public at press time, Krieger School Dean Richard McCarty said, "The trustees and administration are acutely aware of the impact of tuition costs on our students and their families... We have worked very hard over the past several years to keep cost increases well below the six and seven percent increases that were necessary in the early 1990s."

The press release also quotes Whiting School Dean Ilene Busch-Vishniac saying that the financial aid budget for next year will rise, "probably on the order of at least \$2 million."

In addition to the tuition increase, the fees for room and board will rise 3.8 percent, making the total increase in the cost of tuition, room and board for undergraduates living on campus 3.3 percent, from \$36,316 to \$37,819.

The relatively low tuition increase, while greater than inflation, is lower than the tuition increases enacted by many other colleges and universities brought on by dwindling endowments, some of which were hit hard by the decline in stock prices and decreased alumni giving.

According to an article in the Feb. 22 *New York Times*, Baylor University will charge first-year students 33 percent more than the previous year's class, Texas Christian University will raise tuition by 8.7 percent and Emory University will raise tuition 5.4 percent.

Shelger identified as attacker of HopCops

BY CARA GITLIN
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

The Criminal Division of Baltimore City District Court has confirmed that Johns Hopkins University sophomore Reed Shelger was the student involved in the January incident in which two Hopkins Security Officers were assaulted.

Shelger has been indefinitely suspended from school, according to Associate Dean of Students Dorothy Sheppard. Hopkins has yet to hold any sort of disciplinary hearing on the matter. "It was an automatic suspension for [an] indefinite [period of time] until the hearing was to occur," said Sheppard.

According to Shelger's attorney, Steven Tully, Shelger is currently at home in Texas with his parents.

Shelger was arrested on Jan. 21 and charged with two counts of aggravated assault, four counts of second degree assault, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest, according to records obtained from the criminal division of the Baltimore City Circuit Court Clerk's Office.

Shelger had been scheduled to appear in court last Thursday for a preliminary hearing, but the date of his appearance was pushed back at the request of the defense, according to the court.

Tully cited his own involvement in a homicide case as the reason for the postponement.

At a preliminary hearing, the state only has to show probable cause that a felony was committed, according to Tully. Hearsay is admissible and the defense cannot testify. "Nothing too definitive" goes on at a preliminary hearing, said Tully.

Afterwards, the case usually goes to trial later on in circuit or district court.

In the early morning of Jan. 21,

Shelger had allegedly been involved in a fight at P.J.'s Pub and returned to his home in the Bradford Apartments. Security and the paramedics were called and he was transported to Union Memorial Hospital. According to the Security Report, Shelger then ran out of the hospital. Security received a call from a member of the Residential Life Staff asking that Shelger not be allowed back into the Bradford Apartments.

Officers Wayne Cox and Richard Watts went to the Bradford Apartments to attempt to convince him to return to Union Memorial when he assaulted them. Watts received a bruise to the eye and minor scratches to his cornea and Shelger spit in Cox's face, head-butted him and proceeded to kick him in the jaw and body while he was on the ground. Both officers were taken to Johns Hopkins Hospital.

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AROUND THE COUNTRY

FEMA denies aid to NYU

BY WILLIAM LUCIA
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(U-WIRE) NEW YORK - The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) said recently it would not reimburse New York University for any of its \$25 million in expenses related to the World Trade Center attacks.

NYU had requested FEMA reimburse it for \$5 million spent to house students displaced from downtown dormitories and provide supplies for rescue workers. The University also requested an additional \$3.5 million to cover the cost of repairs to buildings at 90 and 100 Trinity St., which were damaged in the attack, University spokesman John Beckman said.

"Of the \$25 million that we estimate that the World Trade Center attacks cost the University, there is about \$8.5 million, which we believe should be eligible for reimbursement by FEMA," Beckman said.

FEMA denied NYU the funds be-

cause the University is a private, non-profit institution, which is not considered a "critical" entity. Institutions that are considered critical include hospitals and utilities.

The federal legislation that differentiated between noncritical institutions and critical institutions eligible for FEMA funding was passed in 2000.

"In this case, another one of the ironies is that if individual students had applied [to FEMA] on their own for a cash grant or money to assist them in housing when they were displaced, they would have been eligible," Beckman said.

NYU also has filed an insurance claim to cover the Sept. 11 costs. In most cases FEMA reimburses costs not covered by insurance.

Beckman said it was too early to estimate the size of any eventual insurance settlement or to give a tentative date for when the settlement might be reached.

"FEMA can provide funds for things for which an institution is not reimbursed by its insurance. At this

point it is unclear what will be reimbursed by insurance," Beckman said. "FEMA either pays in advance, and if wholly covered [by insurance] you pay them back. Or FEMA may make up the difference between cost they reimburse and what insurance would cover."

At NYU's behest, members of the New York congressional delegation wrote letters to FEMA last week calling for FEMA to reconsider granting NYU the reimbursement.

Immediately after the WTC attacks, NYU reserved blocks of rooms in the Park Central and the Sheraton New York Hotel to provide temporary housing for students forced to evacuate downtown dorms. The University also provided students \$200 stipends to cover clothing and other expenses, and NYU Bookstores donated a second set of textbooks.

The damaged buildings on Trinity Street were rented to the New York City Public Schools Board of Education at the time of the attacks but were used in prior years by the Stern School Business.

According to an article published last week in The New York Times, City University of New York has requested FEMA provide \$300 million to cover the cost of a building next to 7 World Trade Center, which they believe is damaged beyond repair.

Maryland fraternity charter revoked after death of pledge

BY MICHELLE ROTHMAN
THE DIAMONDBACK (U. MARYLAND)

(U-WIRE) COLLEGE PARK, Md. - Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity's international headquarters revoked the University of Maryland chapter's charter Saturday because of alcohol and risk management violations in connection with the death of university student Daniel Reardon.

Chapter members have two weeks to vacate the house at 7 Fraternity Drive, said Matt Supple, director of greek life.

The university likely will revoke recognition of the fraternity in conjunction with the international chapter.

Reardon, a freshman boarder at the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity house, died Feb. 15 after being removed from life support. He was found not breathing and in full cardiac arrest in a lounge area of the house Feb. 8 after accepting an invitation to join the fraternity the night before.

Police still are investigating the incident and are examining alcohol as a contributing factor in Reardon's death.

"It saddens myself and every other

brother in this house to lose the charter," said Gary Kaufman, president of the university chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity.

Kaufman said he is waiting to meet with university administrators about the chapter's fate.

About 30 chapter members live in the house, Kaufman said. The chapter has 38 members, according to the roster on its Web site.

Officials from the fraternity's international headquarters could not be reached for comment Sunday night but released a statement on its Web site. According to the statement, the international headquarters "does not condone the abuse of alcohol and frequently provides programming and education concerning such to its student members."

Kaufman declined to comment on the alleged alcohol and risk management violations. Police said interviews still are being conducted regarding the incident.

"We get one interview done, and they tell us about someone else," University Police spokesman Capt. Paul Dillon said.

The administration will provide chapter members with information

from the commuter affairs office to help them find off-campus housing.

Supple said no other fraternity will be allowed to live in the house for the rest of the semester. Over the next two weeks, the administration will decide what to do with the house. It is common when one fraternity vacates its house for another one to move in.

Members of Phi Sigma Kappa will be given alumni status in the fraternity but no longer will be able to operate as an undergraduate organization.

The greek system enacted a new social policy at the start of this semester, just a few weeks before Reardon's death. The new policy requires fraternity chapters to register guest lists for house parties and limits the number of guests to 250.

The University chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa, founded in 1897, is the fourth-oldest chapter in the nation and the oldest of any fraternity chapter in the state. The chapter won the President's Cup for the fraternity that best envisions the ideals of the greek fraternity system in 1995. Chapter members have lived at 7 Fraternity Drive since 1954.

Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity was the last fraternity chapter with members living in a university-owned house to have its charter revoked. That chapter was evicted from its house at 13 Fraternity Row, now occupied by Zeta Psi fraternity, for alcohol and risk management violations in spring 1998.

U. Texas roommates nailed making IDs

BY COURTNEY MORRIS
DAILY TEXAN (U. TEXAS-AUSTIN)

(U-WIRE) AUSTIN, Texas - Ryan McClure and his roommate, Imran Ali Karim, shared a room in Dobie Center, where they manufactured hundreds of fake driver's licenses, officials say. The two allegedly amassed a small fortune by selling the IDs to people around the country, and police arrested McClure Thursday for his part in the operation, one day after they arrested Karim.

McClure, an economics junior at the University of Texas, is charged with the third-degree felony for manufacturing a counterfeit instrument and could receive up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. Karim, an economics sophomore, faces the charge of tampering with a government document, which is a second-degree felony punishable by a maximum of 20 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

McClure was arrested after the Texas Department of Public Safety discovered he helped Karim produce the counterfeit licenses, said Tom Vinger, a DPS spokesman.

DPS officials said they suspected McClure but had to obtain an additional arrest warrant because the initial warrant was for Karim.

"Really, the investigation is just beginning," Vinger said. "We now have all the evidence we need to sift through and see what else is going on."

The arrests are part of an ongoing DPS campaign to prosecute producers of fake IDs.

The DPS arrested Karim Feb. 20 after it obtained a warrant to search

his dorm room and found fraudulent documents being developed, counterfeit licenses and tools used to make fake IDs. Karim is accused of selling hundreds of counterfeit driver's licenses across the country.

Karim is currently out on bail.

The DPS said Karim and McClure may have made a few thousand high quality IDs, selling each for as much as \$150.

Vinger said fake IDs present a danger because they allow people to engage in illegal activities using official documents. Individuals can use the fake IDs to participate in such crimes as terrorism and purchasing alcohol illegally.

"A driver's license is an official government document that can be used to get other official documents," Vinger said. "So anything that allows someone with criminal intent to blend into society is dangerous. We don't have any evidence of [terrorism] in this case, but Sept. 11 has just demonstrated the importance of cracking down on document fraud."

Vinger said anyone who has purchased or is in possession of a counterfeit license should contact the DPS immediately.

Lara Self, a Plan II senior, said she knows someone who had purchased a fake ID from Karim to buy liquor.

"I don't think students use them for [fraud], they just use them to get into bars — to go bar hopping," Self said.

Several fake IDs have been turned in by students and merchants who have confiscated them, Vinger said. He added that students who have turned them over have done so without reprisal.

Fla. voting flaws not addressed

BY DIANA MOSKOVITZ
INDEPENDENT FLORIDA ALLIGATOR (U. FLORIDA)

(U-WIRE) TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - After the 2000 Presidential election, lawmakers said they would strive to improve Florida's flawed voting system with voter education and new equipment.

However, their goals remain unmet as the Florida House's budget passed its final committee Friday.

The budget is set for a vote before the full chamber later this week.

Democrats, including Gainesville, Fla., Rep. Ed Jennings Jr., tried moving \$14 million from state transportation to finish paying for upgrading voting machines, but Republicans defeated the attempt.

The dollars would have fulfilled the \$32 million the Legislature pledged after the election to replace outdated voting machines and to instruct voters. They set aside \$20 million last year, with the rest to come this term.

"It is a travesty the Florida House will not step forward when we agreed 119-0 last year to support voting reform," Jennings said. "Starting off with zero is not a good show of faith."

Rep. Carlos Lacasa, chairman of the House budget committee, said he wants to see the reports about how counties spent the first award before allocating another chunk to the program. There still is time to put the program back in the budget, he said.

"This is a holding position," the Miami Republican said. "We want to make sure the \$20 million from last year was spent wisely."

More dollars could be available for voting improvements after March 8, when an estimate of how much money the government has for next year will be released.

But Lacasa said he does not expect much change.

"To rely on March 8 for this budget is a great folly," he said.

Republicans representing other spending areas said they doubted the need to continue pumping money into voting reform when transportation, education and other sections were pushing to meet their demands.

"Do we really want to take money from important road projects in all of our districts that people are crying out for when we've already, in my opinion, put \$20 million in," said Rep. Mike Fasano, R-New Port Richey, Fla.

Supporters of making the shift to voter education said those against the plan were ignoring their commitments.

"I am disturbed we would not include one dime in voter assistance money after we made a promise to voters last session," said Rep. Doug Wiles, D-St. Augustine, Fla. "There is no more disturbing an issue than how we vote."

Outside of election funding, the House plan totals almost \$50 billion.

Education is the lone area receiving significant increases, with uni-

versities seeing 2.4 percent more dollars from last year — mostly generated from the lottery and tuition raises.

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Georgetown protester detained by Chinese

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THE HOYA (GEORGETOWN U.)

(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON - Georgetown University student Brian Marple (COL '05) arrived in China Feb. 11 for a protest against the government's treatment of the spiritual movement Falun Gong. Four days later he was deported from Beijing after spending a harrowing 23 hours in a Chinese detention facility.

Along with 52 other foreign protesters, Marple came to Tiananmen Square in Beijing to demonstrate against the Chinese government's two-year crackdown on the movement, which focuses on meditative exercises, combining elements of Buddhism, Taoism and the traditional Chinese practice of qigong.

The demonstration Feb. 14 was the largest such event in China by overseas practitioners of Falun Gong.

"I felt deep sorrow in my heart for the Chinese people and wanted to let them know the truth about Falun Gong," Marple said, and added he has been practicing it for nearly two years. "Therefore, I decided to travel to Tiananmen Square to appeal to their kind nature."

When he got there, Marple said, the square already was packed with uniformed and plainclothes policemen, who appeared to be expecting a large crowd. Along with the other protesters, Marple began walking

through the square, holding up a banner and shouting "Falun Dafa Hao!" (Falun Gong is good!) Immediately, he said, he was grabbed by policemen.

"A pair of policemen grabbed me and shoved me into a police van," Marple said. "There were five of us practitioners there, all singing a song called 'Falun Dafa Hao' as loudly and beautifully as we could."

The police then put them in a "narrow corridor" in the police station, where the protesters continued to sing.

A policeman slapped him in the face a few times, Marple said. Marple also tried to talk to the policemen in Chinese about Falun Gong, telling them how he felt it had improved his life and was one of the best aspects of Chinese culture.

"The police were shocked to hear a westerner speaking Chinese, and I sincerely hope that it really changed their mindsets about Falun Dafa," Marple said.

After getting his photo taken with the other detainees at the police station, Marple said he was taken to a hotel that had been transformed into a detention center.

"A big police thug shoved me up the stairs," Marple said. "When I and another practitioner nearby began to sing the 'Falun Dafa Hao' song, the thug slapped me hard in the face multiple times. When a nearby elevator opened, he kicked me in the back, shoving me into the elevator with his

foot. He hit me again in the face when I entered, slamming my head into the wall of the elevator."

Marple then was questioned for five or six hours, he said, and was asked who he was, why he came and who had organized the trip. He spent the next 15 hours in a "lounge room" with some other protesters, he said, and he tried to talk to the young Chinese guards accompanying them about Falun Gong and the government's repression of the movement.

"I could see that they all changed a lot after we talked," Marple said.

Soon after, Marple's bags were retrieved, a flight out of China was arranged for him and he was driven to the airport and put on the plane.

"As I walked up the steps to the plane I shouted, 'Falun Dafa Hao,' to all of the officials and airline personnel below," Marple said. "The police thug that had hit me before

was standing next to me and grappled my neck with his hand so I could barely breathe and could not shout anymore."

Along with 23 other American protesters, Marple flew back to the United States after the historic protest that reached the pages of newspapers across the country. His experience was unpleasant, Marple acknowledged, but at the same time it was better than the often-brutal encounters many native Chinese practitioners of Falun Gong have had with the government. They are often held six months, a year or longer, he pointed out, enduring harsh physical and psychological treatment.

"All of us here are back safely, but so many Chinese are not," Marple said. "So we continue to demand an immediate end to this persecution and will not stop condemning it until it stops for good."

ERRATA

An article on Page A5 of the February 21, 2002 issue of *The Johns Hopkins News-Letter* incorrectly stated that the Class of 2000 donated the patio furniture outside of Cafe Q. That furniture was donated by the Class of 1999. The Class of 2000 endowed the "Booze Cruise" as their senior gift.

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NEWSBRIEFS

Eduard Ascher, 86, Psychiatrist and Teacher, dies

Dr. Eduard Ascher, a psychiatrist who taught at the Johns Hopkins University for 49 years, died Thursday in a Towson nursing home of congestive heart failure. He was 86.

A native of Vienna, Austria, Dr. Ascher emigrated to the United States in 1938 to escape the Nazis' domination of his country.

"He always said, 'Bred in Vienna, a crumb in Baltimore,'" said his wife, Amalie Adler Ascher.

He was a specialist in group therapy and a nationally known expert on Tourette's syndrome, a neurological disorder that causes people to make involuntary movements or sounds, including uttering profanity in some cases.

During the administration of President Harry S. Truman - who was renowned for his colorful language - a Time magazine reporter once asked Dr. Ascher whether the president was a Tourette's sufferer, according to his wife, who could not recall the doctor's reply.

Dr. Ascher was schooled in Vienna and attended the University of Vienna School of Medicine until 1938, when Adolf Hitler took control of Austria. That year, he was expelled from the university because he was Jewish.

A cousin in St. Louis urged him to emigrate.

"He went by train to Switzerland," his wife said. "He used to tell about the journey - how the Nazi guards got on the train and said, 'You, get off, and you, get off,' and how everyone held their breath until they were gone. He talked about the emotions they all felt when the train crossed the [Swiss] border, and they were free."

Dr. Ascher's brother and two sisters also escaped Austria, but his parents' attempts to leave were repeatedly thwarted, and they died in Nazi concentration camps, Mrs. Ascher said.

Dr. Ascher told an interviewer for The Evening Sun in 1989 that he lost his religious faith after the Holocaust. But he never lost his sense of humor, his wife said.

"At cocktail parties he always held court," his wife said. "He could tell the same joke 59 times and people would always laugh, because he told it. He was the perfect raconteur."

A longtime North Baltimore resident, Dr. Ascher received his medical degree from Washington University in St. Louis in 1942 and came to Johns Hopkins as a psychiatric resi-

dent in 1943. In 1946, he began teaching there as an instructor. He became an assistant professor in 1949 and an associate professor in 1973.

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Zerhouni considered to head CDCP

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 With the resignation of the head of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Thursday, four of the most important federal health jobs are now vacant. Experts say there is a vacuum in health leadership as the Bush administration is trying to improve the nation's defenses against bioterrorism.

But because the jobs require such a high level of expertise, filling them is immensely complicated. The politics of the nominations are sensitive for a president who has taken strong stands against abortion and for limits on embryo research and whose conservative base expects his appointments to reflect those views.

Already, the abortion issue may have clouded the prospects of one candidate, Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, to become head of the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Fauci, the first choice of Tommy G. Thompson, the health and human services secretary, was recently told that he was highly unlikely to be nominated. Officials said the White House did not want to grant Dr. Fauci's request to keep his current job, as chief of a branch of the institutes, while serving as director.

Conservatives say there may be another reason. In 1988, Dr. Fauci made remarks supporting research that uses tissue from aborted fetuses. Unlike the president, Dr. Fauci has painstakingly refused to state his position on abortion.

"Social conservatives have objected to him," said Deal Hudson, editor of Crisis magazine, a Roman Catholic monthly.

Mr. Hudson, who has advised the administration on courting the Roman Catholic vote, said White House officials had assured him that "they are looking for somebody with the research credentials and the ethical outlook that the president has espoused very clearly."

With Dr. Fauci apparently out of the running, one administration official said, the White House is now considering Dr. Elias Zerhouni, executive vice dean of the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. A potential complication, though, is that Hopkins has been a

pioneer in 'embryonic stem cell research, and Dr. Zerhouni was instrumental in creating a new institute at the university to help advance that work and has promised to "intensely pursue this research because of its huge potential impact on human health."

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Bloomberg Says His Travels Are Private

NEW YORK (AP) — After a three-day weekend at an undisclosed location, New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg said where he travels on vacation is his own business.

Since winning the election in November, Bloomberg has told only a handful of aides and friends when he leaves town.

This being New York, Bloomberg's travels have led several news organizations to try to find him. This weekend, a number of "Where in the world is Mike?" stories ran, clearly irritating Bloomberg.

He returned Tuesday with evidence of a tan but was mum on his whereabouts. "My personal life is my personal life," Bloomberg told reporters.

In the past, reporters have tracked down the billionaire at his estate in Bermuda, on a skiing trip in Vail, Colorado, and in Baltimore at a meeting as chairman of the board of Johns Hopkins University.

On Tuesday, Bloomberg declined to even say whether he had been out of town over the weekend. But a source said on condition of anonymity that the mayor had been in Bermuda.

While mayors in the past have been open about their vacation plans, Bloomberg said that is not part of his job description.

"I am here to pick the right people and delegate to them and not to micromanage," he said. "If they have a question, I should always be accessible 24 hours a day, seven days a week. And I am."

Political consultant Mike Paul, who worked for Bloomberg's predecessor, Rudolph Giuliani, said the mayor has a responsibility to inform the public when he is not at the helm.

"You are called a public official for a reason," Paul said.

But one of Bloomberg's predecessors was more understanding. "The city doesn't suffer," former Mayor Ed Koch told the Daily News.

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Mittal displeased with drop in student traffic at Levering

BY MARINA KOESTLER
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

After hearing the formal resignation of Sophomore Class President Bob Alleman, Student Council (StuCo) committee members presented their reports. Noteworthy was the news that Manish Gala, Student Council Secretary, had arranged the opening of the back gym in the athletic center.

StuCo Executive President Anuj Mittal mentioned that Levering has experienced a drop in student traffic, perhaps due to the attention being lavished on the new recreation center. While there have been movements to reorganize Levering into more of a student union, he acknowledged that not much has been going on towards this end. "There's a lot of talk...it just seems ridiculous that there's nothing that's being done right now." He went on to say he felt "complete disenchantment" with the way the project is being handled, and that Dean of Student Life Susan Boswell has agreed to look into the situation.

Freshman Representative Charles Reyner was commended for his work on the exam reserves project. Currently, certain student groups have what is considered by the Student Council to be an unfair academic advantage. These groups have collections of old exams that are made accessible to those within the groups. In order to promote academic fairness, an attempt is being made to give all students access to old exams. While the Curriculum Board rejected the idea and said that professors cannot officially be forced to release previous exams, the Student Council is working to create an on-line database of exams provided by students.

The report from Executive Treasurer Noel DeSantos revealed that the financial situation of the Student Activities Commission and the Student Council is superior to that of last year this time.

"No matter how numerous the wells," DeSantos asserted, "the bounty of the ocean will never be exhausted."

Freshman Representative Manu Sharma reported on the status of J-CASH expansion. He plans to talk to Student Advantage, whose job it is to promote J-CASH to merchants. Currently, 11 off-campus businesses accept J-CASH as a form of payment. Hopkins students will soon be receiving pamphlets in their mailboxes to increase awareness about which businesses these are.

Mittal spoke about the status with Internet use in the library. While jacks were put in four years ago, the library is waiting for an authorization system to be implemented that will be able to confirm the identity of the user, how long the user is on-line, and the location of the user.

As a security measure, a firewall needs to be created for the library. Some type of Internet registration system should be put into place by May, at which point a summer pilot program will begin. Starting in the fall of 2002, students will be able to

buy a wireless card and access the library's jacks.

Negotiations are underway regarding the future of the on-campus cafes. Gilman, the MSE library and the Mattin Center all house cafes run by the same company, which potentially could face replacement. Ideas are being discussed at an upcoming meeting in the AMR I multipurpose room.

Board of Elections (BOE) campaigning is underway. The candidates for Vice President for Institutional Relations (VPIR) and Treasurer are both running unopposed. On Thursday at 8 p.m. there will be a meet-and-greet the candidates meeting.

Voting will take place this Monday from noon until 9 p.m. at the library, AMRs, Wolman and Recreation Center. The first 1,000 voters will get free Krispy Kremes.

Senior class President Stephen Goutman announced that the senior class voted last week on the gift it will give to Hopkins upon its graduation. The gift will be a game room for Levering, and seniors are asked to each donate \$20.02 or whatever they can afford to finance this. Goutman also remarked on Thursday's successful E-level gathering. He said it was "nice to see people having fun at e-level again" and that it brought back memories of freshman year for current seniors.

T-shirts are on their way — 650 of them — for students who would like to greet the upcoming lacrosse fes-

tivities by wearing something that says, "Princeton still sucks."

StuCo also voted on two funding request, both of which passed. The first was a request for \$500, to be used for a Founder's Day event.

Fiji, through the person of Fiji finance chair Jarrodd Bernstein, requested \$600 to pay for the DJ for the Islander, a Homecoming party held in President Brody's garden. This event has been going on in some form for 20 years, and, according to Bernstein, is the only major University event mentioned in the *Barron's College Guide*. This year's event may include a moon bounce, jousting and dollar drafts.

"It's not a party in the conventional sense, like people are going to be doing keg stands at it," Bernstein reassured Council members.

Proceeds are given to charitable organizations, and this year money will be used to support the mission of Bill Faria and Josh Kampf, former Hopkins students who are walking across the United States in support of the families who had members die in the Sept. 11 attack. The two, who are currently in Albuquerque, are carrying 4,000 American flags that will be presented to the families when the hikers arrive in New York on Sept. 11, 2002. Council members, citing the hard work of the Fiji members and the long tradition of the Islander party, passed the request for financing with no dissents.

STUDENT COUNCIL ATTENDANCE, FEBRUARY 12, 2002

Executive Officers		
President Anuj Mittal	338-7569	Present
VP Institutional Relations Katie Dix	516-2567	ABSENT
VP Administration Priya Sarin	366-7766	Present
Secretary Manish Gala	516-2573	Present
Treasurer Noel DeSantos	516-2759	Present
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President Stephen Goutman	889-3421	Present
Vice President Meredith Price	243-2467	Present
Secretary/Treasurer Camille Fesche	978-2244	Present
Representative Renato Carfagno	516-2786	Present
Representative Samantha Kanner	467-5798	Present
Representative Grey Emmons	243-0499	Present
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Vice President Sarah Cummings	889-4948	Present
Secretary/Treasurer Tara Feehan	889-4948	Present
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Representative Chris Cunico	889-1066	Present
Representative Priti Dalal	467-8692	Present
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Representative Morgan McDonald	516-5603	Present
Representative Charles Reyner	516-5845	Present
Representative Manu Sharma	516-5832	Present

Crime report for February 14 - 20

February 14

- 5:00 a.m.— Unknown suspect stole victim's vehicle from 4100 blk. of Old York Rd.
- 9:40 a.m.— Suspect beat victim on the head using a wooden baseball bat on 400 blk. of E. 27th St.
- 10:40 a.m.— Unknown suspect opened accounts in victim's name on 3500 blk. of St. Paul St.
- 1:00 p.m.— Shoplifter was arrested at Rite Aid, whose property was never recovered on 3700 blk. of Falls Rd.
- 2:20 p.m.— Suspect was arrested for shoplifting at Safeway on 2400 blk. of N. Charles St.
- 2:55 p.m.— Suspect was arrested for shoplifting at Safeway Grocery on 2400 blk. of N. Charles St.

February 15

- 7:20 a.m.— Victim found rear window open and items stolen on 200 blk. of Brentwood Ave.
- 10:00 a.m.— Suspect threw brick at victim on 3300 blk. of N. Calvert St.
- 12:00 p.m.— Two suspects entered open window, but took no property on 600 blk. of E. 30th St.
- 12:00 p.m.— Victim found car's rear window open and property taken on 700 blk. of Venable Ave.
- 6:00 p.m.— Unknown persons forced bedroom window, entered and took stereo on unit blk. of E. University Pkwy.

February 16

- 7:34 a.m.— Unknown suspect took vehicle on 2600 blk. of Miles Ave.
- 11: 05 a.m.— Suspect arrested for shoplifting items from CVS drug store on 2500 blk. of N. Charles St.
- 12:20 p.m.— Suspect arrested for shoplifting from CVS drug store on 2500 blk. of N. Charles St.
- 12:30 p.m.— Victim found apartment door pried open on 2500 blk. of N. Calvert St.
- 4:30 p.m.— Bike stolen from 2600

- blk. of N. Calvert St.
- 5:30 p.m.— Unknown suspect broke glass on victim's 1992 GMC on 3400 blk. of Hickory Ave.
- 8:52 p.m.— US. currency stolen on 3200 blk. of St. Paul St.
- 11:00 p.m.— Suspect stole car on 2700 blk. of Miles Ave.
- 11:30 p.m.— Victim found his car stolen on 700 blk. of E. 37th St.

February 17

- 12:20 a.m.— Shoplifter apprehended on 700 blk. of W. 40th St.
- 5:30 a.m.— Owner returned to find car stolen and found only right rear window in its place on 3400 blk. of Elm Ave.
- 8:30 a.m.— Unknown persons forced rear window, entered and removed 12 jackets on 2400 blk. of St. Paul St.
- 1:00 p.m.— Suspect grabbed purse from grocery cart on parking lot on 1000 blk. of W. 41st St.
- 8:55 p.m.— Suspect shot victim in upper right leg on 200 blk. on E. University Pkwy.

February 18

- 5: 30 p.m.— Unknown suspect

- forced entry to office and removed a Compaq computer on 800 blk. of Wyman Park Dr.
- 8:00 p.m.— Unknown individual broke window and stole radio on 3500 blk. of Elm Ave.
- 11:00 p.m.— Unknown male approached victim from behind, produced knife and raped her on 2500 blk. of Keswick Rd.

February 19

- 7:15 p.m.— Victim was hit in the head with a rock on 3000 blk. of Elm Ave.
- 9:00 p.m.— Suspect attempted to leave business with items on 2500 blk. of N. Charles St.

February 20

- 1:30 a.m.— Unknown suspect entered bar without force and robbed business on 3100 blk. of Greenmount Ave.
- 9:00 a.m.— Unknown person pried open door and took property on 200 blk. of W. 29th St.
- 2:30 p.m.— Suspect broke out rear passenger window and took laptop on 2600 blk. of Maryland Ave.

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NEWS

Ain discusses overcoming disease

BY KATIE GRADOWSKI
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

Students and faculty gathered in Mudd Hall last Tuesday to hear Dr. Michael Ain, Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery and Neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins, give a lecture entitled "To Dare Mighty Things." The lecture focused on Ain's own experience of overcoming obstacles as a victim of achondroplasia, an abnormal development of cartilage in which the person has an average size trunk, but shorter than average limbs. In his lecture, Ain focused on the importance of overcoming challenges, relating his own experiences in the medical world and discussing the demands that face students entering the medical profession.

Ain opened his lecture by reading a poem entitled "You are Special," stressing the importance of individuality and uniqueness among human beings. His lecture focused on the strength of the individual in overcoming personal obstacles.

In recounting his childhood, Ain recalled his parents, who encouraged him to always work hard and strive towards his goals.

"They never said I couldn't accomplish something because of my stature," he said.

As a young adult, Ain competed as a wrestler and baseball player at Andover Academy. In high school, he was ranked third in New England for his wrestling weight class. "I was just another kid," he said.

Ain attended Brown University, where he conducted research, played baseball and served as an officer in his fraternity. Upon graduating Brown, Ain applied to 30 medical schools. At this juncture in his life, he was met repeatedly with prejudice and discrimination. Ain was told that his stature prohibited him from becoming a doctor, and that he would never be able to pursue medicine as a profession.

Recalling an interview at the University of Pennsylvania, Ain remembered an admissions officer telling him he would never physically be capable of being a doctor and that his stature would never allow him to gain the respect of his patients. At an interview in Buffalo, Ain was asked if he preferred to be called a midget.

After being rejected at all the medical schools he applied for, Ain returned to Albany, but remained optimistic about his future. With a wry smile, he said, "I took some grad courses, killed a couple of turtles and reapplied."

Today Ain is an Assistant Professor at Johns Hopkins and works as a pediatric orthopedic surgeon, dealing with disorders in the lower extremities, hips and spine as well as taking care of patients with skeletal



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Ain overcame achondroplasia en route to accomplishing his goals.

dysplasia, who constitute 25 percent of his practice. Ain also conducts research at Johns Hopkins on achondroplasia, his own disorder.

In choosing his field of medicine, Ain said, "I didn't go into medicine to take care of little people."

He recalled an experience during his fourth year of residency, in which he read a newspaper article about a family in South Carolina whose daughter had achondroplasia. In the article, the father recounted his own difficulty in accepting his daughter's disorder.

The father recalled a conversation that changed his perspective: Sitting in a bar one evening, the father ran into a friend who knew a pediatric resident that had struggled with achondroplasia. Upon hearing about this resident's success in getting into medical school and pursuing orthopedic surgery, the father realized that even with her disability, his daughter could accomplish anything she wanted. After reading the article, Ain realized that the pediatric resident in the story was himself, and that through his own experience, he had touched this family that was dealing with the same problems he had struggled to overcome. "I felt that was my calling," Ain said.

Although Ain feels that he can relate to his patients on a certain level, he said that he focuses on improving the health of his patients, rather than empathizing with them on a personal level.

"You're there to do a job," he said, "and that's to help them get better."

As a physician, Ain treats patients of all types, from pre-natal cases to fully grown adults. He stressed the importance of practical awareness in the field of medicine.

"The thing about being a good surgeon is not being brilliant. It is knowing what you want to accomplish and being able to anticipate problems."

Though he often pulls 16 hour days, Ain said that he always tries to remain sympathetic towards his patients. He emphasized the importance of treating patients as human beings.

"Unfortunately, there are lots of doctors out there who look at their patients as cases," he said. "The top

students aren't necessarily the best people."

In the orthopedic department at Hopkins, Ain said that they are "actively trying to choose people who are sensitive and can do the job."

Among the characteristics they look for in students are active volunteerism, a sense of genuine empathy and compassion.

As Ain discussed the personal obstacles he has faced in the past, he maintained a constructive and optimistic attitude about both his past and present experiences. When asked about his role within the disabled community, Ain responded by asking "What is a disability? It is something that's in your life that you let win."

He emphasized that being small hasn't stopped him from doing anything, even going to medical school and becoming an orthopedic surgeon.

"I have the greatest job in the world," he said. "I can touch people in a way that nobody else can."

Ain's lecture is part of the Voyage and Discovery lecture series, which will conclude on March 5 in Mudd Hall with a lecture by Dr. John Gearhart entitled "An Almost True Tale of the First Derivation of Human Embryonic Stem Cells."

Senior class picks game room as gift

BY S. BRENDAN SHORT
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

In a vote on Wednesday, Feb. 20 and Thursday, Feb. 21, members of the Class of 2002 elected to have a game room in Levering Hall as their senior gift. The vote was held at Levering Market and the M.S.E. Library on Wednesday and at the senior class event at E-Level on Thursday.

According to Gift Chair Charbel Barakat, the votes were "overwhelmingly" in favor of the game room, which "received over 50 percent of the votes."

Barakat was pleased with the class' selection, stating that "of all the options we considered, this gift has the biggest potential." He emphasized the importance of the gift's social aspect, citing it as "a major step towards [Levering Hall] becoming a true student union."

Barakat noted that while a game console such as a Playstation 2 runs between \$150 and \$200 and used full-sized arcade games are \$300-\$550, fundraising will still be important. He said that the committee plans on "contacting seniors by phone and

mail explaining our plans and requesting their help." Other ideas for fundraising included a variety show and a senior class trip to an Orioles game. "A little generosity from each of [the members of the senior class] will go very far," Barakat said.

On the subject of when the gift might be implemented, Barakat said that he hoped that it would be "as soon as possible."

He stressed the importance of patience, however: "If you put speed above quality, you end up with lawn furniture," he said, referring to previous senior gifts of chairs and tables on Q-Level of the M.S.E. Library and on the patio outside.

Barakat praised the voting process, citing high voter turnout and the "incredibly smooth" course of the gift choice.

On the legacy that the game room will leave for the class, Barakat stated, "I think the best part about this is, when we come back in five or 10 years and see this room packed with students, we'll be able to say we made a real contribution to the Hopkins experience. And that's worth 10 million bricks."

StuCo Exec. Board nominations announced

BY EUNA LHEE
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

The nominees for Student Council's (StuCo) Executive Board became official last Thursday as qualified students turned in their petitions, each requiring 300 signatures, and attended the mandatory StuCo meeting.

There are eight nominees for a total of four positions: Chris Cunico, Manish Gala and Audrey Henderson for President; Priti Dalal and Ankush Gupta for Vice-President for Administration; James Cakmak and Jackie Chan for Secretary; and Elise Roecker for Treasurer.

If Henderson wins, she will be the first female StuCo Executive Board President that JHU has seen since it decided to admit female students.

With some candidates running unopposed for positions and some positions without any candidates running, this election is not functioning typically. The Vice President for Institutional Relations candidate Bob Alleman, who was running unopposed a week ago, stepped down from his nomination, leaving no candidates currently running for the position. In addition, Roecker is running unopposed for Treasurer.

Current Student Council President Anuj Mittal said that "the situation [involving Alleman] is problematic."



LIZ STEINBERG/NEWS-LETTER

Three juniors are competing for the position of Student Body President this spring.

"There has been talk about abolishing the position, but hopefully, there won't be any dramatic changes," Mittal said. "We are now reformatting the utility role in Student Council."

Board of Elections Co-Chair Erika Stoddard said that this year's goal is to have a greater student turn-out at the elections. To initiate this, the board has abolished the formal debates by the candidates, and instead, set up a candidate forum where students can "meet and greet" the candi-

dates as well as ask them questions.

"We are trying different styles to affect student body turn-out and make the process more personal," Stoddard said. "We also are going to try mass e-mails, sent from each of the class presidents, in order to in-

form more students of the election."

The election will take place this Monday from noon to 9 p.m. by the use of a single transferable vote (STV) in voting booths by Wolman, the MSE library, the athletic center and MegaBYTES.

Frats fight in the street

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was dispatched to the scene at 2:52 a.m.

According to Pike President Brian Nichols, SAE threw eggs at the Pike house on Wednesday night and wanted to fight, but no physical altercation took place because the Pike brothers did not want to participate in the fight. SAE President Jonathan Daffron was contacted for this story, but declined to comment on the veracity of Nichols' account of events. Inter-Fraternity Council Secretary and SAE member Omar Taviloglu said of Nichols' account, "All I can tell you is that it's not right... That is definitely not the story."

On Thursday, the conflict between Pike and SAE allegedly became physical. Nichols explained that a fight began when SAE returned on Thursday night. According to an e-mail statement from Nichols that he later retracted, "there was an incident Thursday. Unfortunately, brothers from both fraternities were hurt. There were several causes for the incident, not the least of which was we felt our property and security were threatened."

No members of the involved fraternities would comment on the events of Thursday night, although a student who spoke on the condition of anonymity described the scene as he saw it from his window, which faced 33rd St. At 2:30 a.m. on the Feb. 22, the student said that he was woken up by the sound of students yelling in the street, which escalated into swearing, including the phrase, "If you ever come here again, I'll fucking kill you... get the garbage can." The student went on to say that he saw a mob of about 60 students pushing back and forth on the street, as WaWa brothers watched from their property. By 3 a.m., according to the student, punches were being thrown, with one person yelling "Everybody out of the house right now," in the direction of the Pike house.

"It was like a riot," said the student of the altercation on the street. He went

on to say that the brawl was so big that cars could not pass on 33rd St. until the BCPD arrived in four police cars.

Associate Dean of Students Dorothy Sheppard said that issues related to the fraternities' culpability would be determined by the IFC Judicial Board and that complaints about individuals involved in the altercations would be handled by the Student Conduct Board. "Right now, both fraternities were told to stay away from one another," said Sheppard. No official charges had been filed as of press time.

Those involved with and investigating the incidents agreed that the altercations were not isolated incidents. "There's always one or two frats that don't get along with one another," said Sheppard. "[Hopkins fraternities often act like] little boys who don't play nicely in the playground."

"It's been building up to this," said Nichols, who said that there had been constant problems between Pike and SAE.

"I think conflicts occur between a variety of student groups. It's not usual to escalate to the level of physical violence," said Dean of Student Life Susan Boswell.

Coordinator of Greek Life Ira Young and Associate Dean of Students Ralph Johnson are heading up the investigation. Young refused to comment and Johnson could not be reached.

IFC President Chris Jackman, who is a member of Pike, declined to comment. IFC Vice President Jarrod Bernstein, Treasurer Jim Eisner and Rush Chairman Bill Wenzel were all unavailable for comment. Taviloglu said "I don't think that it's right to disclose fraternity matters to the public."

Hopkins Security Officer Dennis Rosemary said of the incident, "It's gotta stop. This is ridiculous — these petty differences between people. You're here to get an education."

—Staff writers Shannon Shin and S. Brendan Short contributed to this report.

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EDITORIAL

Is this gentlemanly behavior?

A few weeks ago, the various fraternities on campus conducted their rush week under the auspices of the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC). Amid advertisements for events featuring wings, billiards, “gentlemen’s nights” and what have you, there was also a great deal of talk about how fraternities “enhance individuals’ personal growth,” “strive for higher ideals and actions” and generally build to make their members into leaders and gentlemen.

So when the news of the week is a brawl between two fraternities over undetermined causes, what are we to think of tomorrow’s “gentlemen?” When Associate Dean of Students Dorothy Sheppard compares fraternities to “little boys who don’t play nicely in the playground,” what does that say about the leaders that these Greek organizations are supposed to be turning out? Shouldn’t more be expected of these organizations when they claim to hold their members to such high standards?

What is at least as troubling as the incident itself is the reaction of Coordinator of Greek Life Ira Young. In addition to refusing to comment, he also presumed to decline on behalf of the fraternities involved and refused to provide contact information for the fraternity presidents so that we could speak to them ourselves. As journalists, we don’t mind pursuing the facts ourselves, but such a blatant act of concealment on the part of a University official, as well as his apparent unwillingness to allow students

in leadership positions to speak for themselves on an issue, is troubling at best.

What makes Young’s conduct even more suspect is that Sheppard, who is participating in the investigation along with him, was entirely willing to comment, as were at least some of the fraternity members and officers we managed to contact. Does Young feel that trying to keep Greek organizations out of the news is more important than informing the public? Is the transparency of the judicial process less important than the image of the fraternities involved? Does he not think that the leaders of the organizations under his supervision should be allowed to speak for themselves?

This is not a new problem. Young’s predecessor in his position also often seemed to see the images of the Greek organizations to be more important than their conduct, more important than holding them to the high standards to which they claim to hold themselves. To call this disturbing is to make a severe understatement.

As one of the first major violent acts to be committed since the implementation of the University’s “zero tolerance” policy on violence, this incident will surely test its efficacy. Will the participants in this incident be dealt with as the policy stipulates, or will some way of “wriggling out” be found? Will the administration live up to its commitment to keeping the student body safe by not tolerating violence? The answer remains to be seen.

JHU tuition needs to be stabilized

Recently, the University released the tuition and room and board totals for the upcoming academic year. Next year will bring a tuition raise of 4.5 percent and a 3.8 percent increase in room and board rates, thus increasing the total cost by just over \$1,500.

While this isn’t an astronomical increase, we have to wonder what other means of recourse are available to the University. With the cost of university attendance rising across the nation and our economy fast sinking into a recession, cost may increasingly become a more important factor in deciding which school to attend.

Johns Hopkins University has a need-based admissions policy, which may hinder the acceptance of otherwise worthy students. That, and the fact that attendance costs are unstable, make our University an illogical choice for some families.

What we suggest is the following. Each year, give the freshman entrants a guarantee that their attendance costs will remain stable for four years and the same offer to transfer students for their remaining years to four. In doing so, there is no need for applicants to consider possible hikes in University costs and there is no unexpected financial burden to befall the families of Hopkins students. Not only that, but considering that schools have been announcing incredible cost increases (Baylor will be increasing tu-

ition by 33 percent next year) on an annual basis, families will feel secure knowing their children’s college costs will remain stable. If, though, students take longer than the anticipated four years, then tuition should be recalculated annually starting with the fifth year. This is a great incentive for families during our economically unstable times, and it is one that will encourage students to graduate in four years.

Perhaps the first response to this would be that the University would be recording losses for four years. If this isn’t a legitimate reason to dip into the endowment, then we fail to see the point of having one at all. What good is an endowment if it does nothing more than stagnantly accrue interest? Endowments are meant to protect the future of institutions. By operating at losses that dip into the endowment for four years, the University would be able to offer an appealing incentive that is unique among private schools that are in the top tier.

In economically challenging times, it is the responsibility of the University to ensure its students are able to receive the full four years of education they earned with their acceptance letters to Johns Hopkins. The school must take initiative in designing programs that foster growth without sacrificing the financial concerns of students and their families.

Media should stop taking their neutrality in reporting to extremes: Wrong is simply wrong

I am all for open-mindedness. Considering other perspectives is vital to a tolerant, healthy society. Socrates, though, taught that virtues have extremes. Too much as well as too little of a virtue is a flaw. Modern society, though, abandoned the Socratic medium for open-mindedness long ago. In an attempt to express open-mindedness to its fullest, we seem to have misplaced our judgment. We have conceded our ability to claim something as good or bad. Bill Maher on his popular show, *Politically Incorrect*, stated that in the war on terror, America has “been the cowards, lobbing cruise missiles from

the terrorists and their plight that he perverted the very moral he cited. There is no virtue in what the terrorists did. What they did was unquestionably bad.

Similarly, Ted Turner recently stated that “at the very least the ter-

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rorists were brave.” Turner, as the chairman of AOL and CNN, certainly has a right to espouse objectivity. Objectivity, though, does not mean sacrificing the ability to discern right from wrong.

Ted Turner, according to Reuters, shouldn’t have even been using the word terrorists. “One man’s terrorist is another man’s freedom fighter,” the news agency claimed, defending their decision to not use the word “terrorist” in reference to Sept. 11. There indeed are terrorists in the world and the 19 attackers on Sept. 11 are perfect examples. Why are so many sources incapable of seeing terrorism as something universally bad? Why is there an obligation to sympathize with evil people?

The examples abound outside of the war on terrorism. In a recent interview Dan Rather was discussing Bill Clinton, saying that Clinton was “an honest man” and that “you can be an honest person and lie about any

number of things.” Wrong. Dan. Honest people don’t lie. Clinton lied, and lying is wrong. What is so difficult about admitting that?

Some may say that it is not media’s job to say what is right and wrong. Fine. The examples cited here, though, are not simply reporting the facts. If they were just reporting the facts, then Reuters would say that 19 terrorists hijacked a plane, and Dan Rather would say Bill Clinton did lie, under oath at that. In those cases, it would be intuitive for the reader that the action described was in fact morally wrong, in any moral code. But no, the media has taken it upon themselves to remind us that we are in no position to condemn an action. Who are we to say what is right and wrong? The media has taken the position of defending obviously wrong actions, making excuses for the inexcusable. This is not media objectivity. The media has scurried to the moral high ground, only to find that when they got there, there were no morals to be found.

Andrea Yates is a confessed murderer who drowned her own children. Surely, as a society, we can agree that the murder of one’s own children is wrong. Nope. An August announcement from the Houston area National Organization for Women announced a coalition to raise funds and sympathy for Yates, claiming she was “driven to murder by postpartum depression.” Who are we to condemn this murder? Surely we could have done the same thing. Be objective and put

Why pennies need to go: They have no real value

On my way to class this morning, I stopped to grab a cup of coffee. Being that I was already late, I told the cashier to keep the three penny change. What a mistake that turned out to be.

My next three purchases of the day all came out to amounts ending in either a one or a six. You know what that means, don’t you? I was a penny short from having exact change all day. Grumble, grumble, grumble.

Now I believe in karma. I am a firm believer that what goes around, comes around. Everything happens for a reason, blah, blah, blah. I am totally in favor of those little “take a penny, leave a penny” cups at 7-11. I have always had good luck with eliminating my pocket change when I’ve left and taken pennies from those jars. I guess tipping some barista three cents just doesn’t have quite the same



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DELIBERATELY RANDOM

I just don’t like to jingle when I walk or have a bunch of loose change at the bottom of my purse. The worst is cleaning my apartment and finding loose change *everywhere*. It’s just one of those little annoyances in my life. Besides, the penny isn’t worth anything, anyway.

Not to say that it never was. The penny has definitely had its moment in the sun. Ever hear of penny candy? There even used to be things available to buy worth only half a penny. But that is all behind us, along with poodle skirts, big hair and innocent high school girls.

So why bother keeping the penny in circulation?

Well, for one, you can still use pennies at toll booths and (if memory serves correctly) at stamp machines in Illinois. Then again, they are the “Land of Lincoln.” I think it’s an obligation or something. Of course, the

important thing to remember is that it is Illinois. Hardly a strong-hold of the American popular sentiment.

I understand if the U.S. government is trying to pay homage to Lincoln via the Treasury. However, I don’t think people are going to forget him if they stopped making pennies. He’s a pretty famous guy on his own. Besides, he’s got his picture on the \$5 bill. With how large they made him on the new and even-easier-to-counterfeit version, good ol’ Abe is pretty hard to miss these days.

To then add insult to injury, the penny is not even fully copper anymore. It’s made of zinc and is then simply plated in copper. The last fully copper Lincoln penny hasn’t been made since 1982!

I understand people have concerns over the issue of having the correct change to pay for things. I myself had that problem today (see above). However, as both a part-time cashier and a consumer, I would gladly round prices to the nearest five or 10 cent increment in order to eliminate this worthless coin. While, sensibly, we should be rounding down, we could even round up and I doubt anyone would notice or care.

Minting pennies that no one uses is costing the U.S. government (read, you-and-me taxpayer) money that could be much better spent. For example, we could really use a 35-cent coin. (Another little annoyance in my life—needing to put two coins into pay phones.) Or we could use the extra cash to pay off the new and improved national deficit Dubya created.

The penny has become as archaic as Atari and it’s time we give it proper burial into the archives of American history.

The dangers of unilateralism

When the European Union’s head of foreign policy, Chris Patten, called Bush’s axis of evil “dangerously absolutist and simplistic,” not “thought through” and “unhelpful,” and that the Europeans needed to stop Washington before it went into “unilateralist overdrive,” notice had to be taken [Friedman, *New York Times*, Feb. 13, 2002] Regardless of whether you agree with our President’s decision to tab Iran, Iraq and North Korea with the title “axis of evil,” this blunt European reaction is worrisome. The problem is that this is only the latest occurrence in a long line of unilateralist rhetoric and policies that the Bush administration has undertaken.

Before Sept. 11, the Bush adminis-

tration was truly shifting into unilateralist overdrive. America withdrew from the Kyoto Treaty, which dealt with environmental issues. The Bush administration threatened to, and eventually did, unilaterally withdraw from the Anti-Ballistic Missile

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Treaty with Russia so that it could deploy its national missile defense system. The national missile defense system itself was unilateralist in nature. The Bush administration tried to sell the system to our allies, but they weren’t buying. They realized that the U.S. was going to proceed with plans to deploy the missile defense system whether its allies approved or not.

After the terrorist attacks, there seemed to be an attempt at a multilateralist foreign policy. The Bush administration finally paid its United Nations dues as a signal of its new multilateralism. The administration wisely attempted to build a coalition against Al Qaeda. It used the momentum and moral high ground that America gained from the attacks to form a broad alliance.

However, this perceived turn towards multilateralism has proven to be just that, a perception instead of a reality. The U.S. “allies” have quickly realized that this “War on Terrorism” that Bush is fighting with his heart and soul is really America’s fight.

The coalition was built not so much for practical purposes, but more for the symbolism and logistical needs. Repeated offers of military assistance by European allies have been rebuffed by the Bush administration. Bush’s decision to continue the War by expanding to the Philippines and possibly Iraq has been made unilaterally and against the wishes of many of our allies.

So what are the repercussions of this blatantly unilateralist foreign policy? The U.S. is using up its diplomatic capital. While the world was willing to cooperate with America after Sept. 11, that is not so much the case anymore. It is quite clear that as Europe continues its integration, most recently with the introduction of a common currency, the euro, it is increasingly willing to assert its own positions, independent of Washington.

This unilateralism alienates world powers, from Russia to China to Europe. Whether we like these countries or not, we need to do business with them. The U.S. cannot simply run wild, doing as it wishes. There needs to be more multilateralism in the formulation of the current administration’s foreign policy. The Bush team needs to consider how our supposed allies and enemies will view their actions. While crudely grouping together the “axis of evil” the administration apparently forgot to think about how such a phrase would be perceived around the world. The Chris Pattens of the world are becoming increasingly willing to voice dissent towards unilateralist American foreign policy, and this is not something that can be ignored.

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OPINIONS

The consequences of a lie

I start this column with a statement, first reported in the Jan. 13 *Chicago Tribune*: former Enron CEO Ken Lay stayed in the Lincoln Bedroom of the White House during the Clinton administration.

Sounds pretty damning, doesn't it? This juicy little nugget sure makes it seem that Democrats, including one Democrat the right paints as completely corrupt, are in bed, no pun intended, with Enron. Of course, these days, being in bed with Enron is the Washington equivalent of being seen walking out of a bathroom without washing your hands — which is to say, you're not going to get many handshakes.

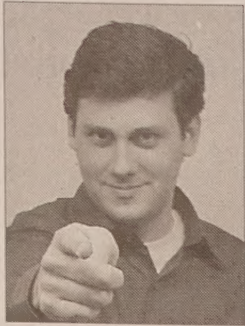
After the initial assertion, the pundits and reporters smelled blood and pounced. Patrice Hill of the *Washington Times* wrote, "Evidence of Mr. Lay's links to the Clinton administration are ample and well-documented... [Lay] at times was Mr. Clinton's golf partner and slept in the Lincoln Bedroom."

The rest of the media picked up the story and responded with the same righteous indignation as the aforementioned Moonie mouthpiece. The *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* ran letters to the Editor on the subject. *USA Today* had a story (but surprisingly, no infographic). In England, the *London Times* of Feb. 22 said, "Kenneth Lay, the chairman of Enron, was Mr. Clinton's golf partner and was invited by him to stay in the Lincoln Bedroom at the White House."

The amount of coverage of the Lay-at-the-Lincoln-Bedroom story was at a level well below that of feeding frenzy, but it still bounced around newspapers to the point at which it became common knowledge. Yet again, Democrats can't explain their way around Clinton's proclivities while he was in office.

For the Clinton-haters, there's a hitch — it never happened.

Despite the fact that anyone can cite many newspaper stories and op-ed pieces stating that Lay stayed in the Lincoln Bedroom during the Clinton administration, it simply didn't happen. You see, the lists of who slept in the Lincoln Bedroom are available on the Web at



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WE'RE LEFT,
THEY'RE WRONG

OpenSecrets.org. Search the comprehensive list all you wish — you won't find Ken Lay. As for the allegation that Clinton and Lay were golf buddies, the truth is a bit more muddled. Apparently, Lay and Clinton were on opposing teams during a 1993 charity game between Democrats and Republicans. Clinton played with Jack Nicklaus and Lay played with Gerald Ford. Close, but no cigar (interpret *that* as you see fit).

In any case, it was uncovered that the allegations were from the *Drudge Report*, a notoriously unreliable Internet scandal sheet.

This is a little unnerving to me, since I get most of my story ideas from newspapers and magazines, verifying and researching the stories by looking in other newspapers and magazines. This system is usually good at preventing me from pontificating on the basis of simply untrue statements, but it only works when somebody, somewhere bothers to research the story. If every newspaper gets its stories from another newspaper, what good is it to have more than one?

All of this is not surprising to anyone who has ever worked for a news organization. When I worked for a news radio station a few summers ago, my bosses got their stories from one of three sources: the Associated Press Daybook, press releases or other wires or news organizations. In fact,

most stories arrived in our offices in their entirety, ready to read on the air after a reordering of the words so as to avoid plagiarism. Granted, we specialized on headlines and breaking news, so it wouldn't have fit well with our format to have Woodward and Bernstein types on the payroll.

However, the corporate overlords who own most mainstream media outlets have been cutting their budgets for years, squeezing out the national media's collective ability to investigate complex stories.

This is compounded by the fact that the few truly independent media mostly focus on niche markets of ideological radicals and write in such a vitriolic way so as to make their stories lack credibility. For example, right-wing news site NewsMax.com starts a story about Democratic objections to a provision in a bill to reform elections with "Have they no shame?" Say what you will about the ideological bias of *The New York*

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Times or CBS News, they would never begin a news item this way.

So, here we are, inundated on all sides by a panopoly of press, all telling us the same thing, all untrue.

Foreign Affairs Symposium? More like a diatribe to me

Webster's defines a symposium as (a) any meeting or social gathering at which ideas are freely exchanged, (b) a conference organized for the discussion of some particular subject and (c) a collection of opinions on a given subject. Please note my emphasis on the words "freely exchanged," "discussion" and "opinions." I write this for the benefit of the organizers of this year's Foreign Affairs Symposium because — while I respect them and their views, personally — they apparently don't know the meaning of the word 'symposium.' A symposium, in letter and spirit, is supposed to be an event at which the invited participants express differing and often contradictory opinions. In this manner the audience can be left to ponder the given topic on its own, and come to its own conclusions. This year's Foreign Affairs Symposium flies in the face of its own proud tradition — there is only one point of view being expressed: that of its organizers.

Disagree with me? Very well, let's examine the evidence. The first two speakers are democratic Senator Russ Feingold of Wisconsin and Maleeha Lodhi, Pakistani Ambassador to the United States. Both of these speakers are relatively non-controversial. Feingold will expound on how we need to close power vacuums in Africa and might touch on funding cheap AIDS vaccines for its people and Dr. Lohdi will elaborate on the close ties between America and Pakistan and discuss the plight of the Pakistani underclass — neither will ruffle feathers, both, however, certainly sit left-of-center.

Next we get to Randall Hayes: president and founder of the Rainforest Action Network. He will be forwarding his cry for the dismantling of the Bretton-Woods agreement (which provided for the foundation of the IMF). For those

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unfamiliar, the Rainforest Action Network is nothing like the Sierra Club or the World Wildlife Fund; it is well known to be a radical left-wing organization whose tactics frequently include (resort to?) trespass, property damage, vandalism, tree-spiking (a felony) and theft. Over the past several years it has incurred more than \$40,000 in fines and penalties for its unlawful acts. Could the organizers have picked, perhaps, a more mainstream speaker such as the executive director of the Sierra Club? Sure. Could, perhaps, one of the business leaders who's been on the receiving end of one of Hayes' eco-threats been invited to debate him? Sure. Did either of these alternatives come to pass? No. After Hayes will be William Schulz, U.S. director of Amnesty International. He'll be talking about human rights. Though human rights are obviously a good thing, make no mistake that Schulz is as far left as Hayes, and Amnesty International's constant railing against the constitutionally-upheld death penalty alienates many mainstream liberals.

Following this will be a panel discussion with former Iraqi weapons inspector Scott Ritter, former chief of the U.S. Embassy in Iraq, Edward Peck and Erik Gustavson, director of the Center for Education for Peace in Iraq. What's the point of this panel discussion? It's really not a discussion or debate in any sense of the word. All three of them are openly critical of the United States and its position on the Middle East — especially its Iraqi policy. This "panel discussion" will be nothing more than the three of them agreeing with each other about how evil the government is for maintaining its hard-line stance against terror and authoritarian regimes. Normally, in such "panel discussions," there is at least a token voice of dissent — not with this group.

Benjamin Barber will follow this. He is a political theorist and author. In his work *Jihad vs. McWorld*, Barber claims that both fanaticism and capitalism are threats to democracy. Barber is another liberal voice, who purports an agenda known as "neoproggressivism," and basically advocates that the world should operate on the socialist model. He has been a consultant for Senator Bill Bradley and Al Gore, among other liberals, and has been a leading voice against capitalism and the free market. Finally Nicolas de Torrente, executive director of Doctors Without Borders will speak. Like Feingold, I personally find little disagreeable about de Torrente or the stance of his organization, but like all the other speakers he is a left winger with an agenda.

My basic point in all of this is to say that, though some of these speakers are clearly more controversial than others (and the speaker's lineup was supposedly much more one-sided before the SAC threatened to pull its funding if the organizers didn't balance-out the roster), this year's Foreign Affairs "Symposium" doesn't include even token opposition. When the topic of the symposium is supposedly "Capitalism in the Contemporary World," I would expect that there be at least someone to speak out on capitalism's behalf. Sadly (and unfortunately), there is none. So, to any who attend this year's symposium expecting to hear a lively debate, you may be disappointed. And, to the organizers, don't look now, but your agenda's showing.

Israeli Defense Forces are simply practicing free speech

Lately the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) have undergone an excessive and unwarranted amount of criticism. At the end of January 50 or so officers passed around a petition saying that they no longer would serve as occupiers. The original group of officers hoped to get 500 signatures of soldiers to refuse to serve in the West Bank and Gaza. Their reasons were clear — they believe that acting as occupiers usurps ethical standards.

The reaction to this was fierce and immediate, both in Israel and throughout the world. Shlomo Gazit, the former head of Military Intelligence of the IDF wrote, "I do not like the 'conscientious objectors.' I believe anyone who refuses to put on a uniform and carry arms in Israel is a parasite who wishes to lead a comfortable life while others do the dirty work." He later encouraged all the soldiers who put their name on the petition to renege.

Gazit had it all backwards. Every soldier should be lauded and considered national and international heroes. They did not abandon their military units or shame their uniform — in actuality, they just practiced a vital part of any hale and hearty democracy: free speech.

It is important to understand that every Israeli must serve in the military; it is part of the citizenship requirement. Here in the United States, if a soldier were to dishonor a command, they would be removed from the military. Because it is a choice to serve in the U.S., it can be expected for soldiers to follow orders as long as their officer's commands do not contradict basic moral law. In Israel, where everyone serves, democratic participation includes having an opinion and acting on it, even during times of warfare. And heaven forbid they were acting as pacifists — a far superior way to solve any conflict over violent and terrorist acts. If words can replace bloodshed, then let words replace bloodshed.

As Americans, we should be especially proud of the small assemblage that practices free speech so openly. After Sept. 11, the media and the American people declared that "freedom was attacked" (assuming freedom is a euphemism for the World Trade Center). We are a nation that values our rights and are willing to go to great lengths to protect them.

Even in the United States, freedom of speech is not always guaranteed. Promptly after the attacks in September, Condoleezza Rice requested news stations not to air certain videotapes of Osama Bin-Laden. This restriction, although not official, was unmistakably an attempt of the government to inhibit communications. In other words, free speech was at

stake. The government generally does not interfere with rights during times of peace and prosperity and no one concerns themselves with civil rights until they are taken away. As soon as conflict arises, the government is more likely to infringe on rights in the name of "national security." Well, here's a news flash: the Bill of Rights were prearranged to protect us at all times, both peace and war, poverty and prosperity, boom and recession! Free speech is constant. If our rights dissolve as soon as one government dissents with another, then we may as well have no rights at all. This is the essence of natural rights — they exist in all conditions and at all times.

Our Bill of Rights may not extend out to the Middle East but inherent

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rights do. Israel is the sole democracy in the Middle East. I find it reassuring that this small country, surrounded by adversaries, still provides an environment that nurtures democratic values. To be a healthy and thriving democracy, they need to practice and pursue these ideals.

These soldiers were causing no harm to anyone; they simply proved that the government in Israel is working. You don't need to agree or disagree with their cause. Just feel comforted knowing that they are there, willing to speak out and willing to take a risk for peace.

The reason to exercise

Say what you will about the new athletic center. Sure, maybe there aren't enough basketball courts, but you have to admit that what we have is pretty nice. And yes, the weight room can be a little crowded at times, but have you already forgotten what it was like before? But the real problem with the new AC is that now I have no excuse not to work out. Last year I used to run and lift pretty regularly. But this fall I decided to "concentrate on my studies" and hold off on the exercise a bit until spring.

Well, there was a problem with my logic. I think it started with Thanksgiving. Then there was that whole Christmas thing. By the way, my Grandma makes the best Mexican Wedding Cakes; you should seriously try them sometime. And then came the Super Bowl and all those buffalo wings. And then there were the countless nights of pizza, stromboli, Nifty's, Rocky Run — what am I supposed to do, cook for myself? And while I have started running and doing crunches in the mornings to combat my expanding waistline, it just isn't enough to slay the fast food beast, I'm afraid.

The issue here is that Hopkins students are, in my opinion, a pretty healthy and athletic bunch. And you're all making me look bad! I go and run around 9:15 in the morning, maybe three days a week (more like two), and it's practically torture. I used to be in pretty good shape at one time, believe it or not. I wasn't Mr. Universe or anything, but more towards that end of the spectrum than Fat Bastard, anyway. Now when I run two miles, I feel like Roseanne Barr in a marathon.

And it didn't help the last few weeks with the Olympics on. Yeah, I

might be able to compete in curling. Maybe. On a side note, and I'll probably get shot for saying this, I kind of enjoyed the women's figure skating. Is that bad?

This weekend I got the wonderful idea to go play basketball. Aside from the fact that I shot roughly zero percent from the field, repeatedly got schooled, and was out of breath after two trips up and down the court, I think I played pretty well. Unfortunately my feet and back were killing me for the next two days. Am I getting old or something? No, it must be that I need new gym shoes.

Adding to the mess is that I have no motivation to get in shape to show off over Spring Break what would be my hot new bod. Unlike you lucky guys and gals who are going to Jamaica and Cancun, I'm going home to warm and sunny Chicago. Maybe if I'm lucky, it won't be snowing. I hear Lake Michigan is a pleasant 40 degrees in March, and I'm sure the 35 mph gusts off of the lake will compliment the near-freezing air temperature nicely. Me and my one-pack of abs will rule the beach, no doubt.

The students at this school who find the time to work out regularly must have some gene that I don't have. By the way, blaming one's problems on their genetics can be a very handy excuse, you should try it. Now if there were a mandatory three-credit workout class, I'd be all over that. Unfortunately, I'm too busy getting pizza sauce all over my face to bother with exercising more often.

I guess what I'm saying here is that I'm just a tad insecure about my newfound, uh, robustness. So could you all do me a favor and come over and have stromboli with me sometime? It would make me feel a lot better. Or maybe you could just buy me a new pair of gym shoes.

New teaching style is something to consider

Since the beginning of last semester, Mathematics Professor W. Stephen Wilson has taken an interesting approach to teaching the Advanced Algebra class, turning it into an experiment in group learning. Unlike most math classes at Hopkins, students don't meet in a huge lecture hall three times a week to watch a professor write equations on a blackboard for an hour at a time. Instead, they spend class working out

textbook, the best way to learn how to apply mathematical formulas is to work as many practice problems as possible.

In addition to allowing students more time to work problems, this teaching method has a few other advantages. Students can receive help from the professor in areas that they are unsure of without interrupting the class, and short

demonstrations can focus on topics that students seem to be having trouble with rather than exhaustively going over all of the material from the course. Also, group work is an advantage for both those who understand the material well and those who are struggling. Students who have a basic understanding of the topic can help clarify their own intuitions by explaining the material to the others in their group, while those who need help should theoretically have someone in their group that can explain it.

Granted, this approach wouldn't work for all classes taught in the department. I can imagine the mess that would result if the department tried to teach all 300 freshmen taking Calculus by having them split into groups and work problems. But for upper-level math classes that no more than 20 students take at any one time, the group learning strategy should work well and is definitely worth trying on a larger scale than just the Advanced Algebra class.

Given my good experience with the class, I was surprised to learn that the teaching method is looked down upon by some of the Math Department faculty members. Sure, "group learning" may not be the traditional way to teach math, but the willingness to try new approaches is something that Hopkins can benefit from. The department should embrace the teaching style; and, if they do, hopefully other departments will follow suit in exploring interesting new methods for helping students learn.

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problems in groups of three or four students, with Wilson at hand to respond to questions about the material and clarify topics that students are unsure about.

Though I didn't know what to think of the approach at first, I have found that this teaching method is much more effective than the traditional style, which usually resulted only in me getting an extra hour of sleep in the middle of the day rather than learning about mathematics. While lectures might be informative for students of History or Political Science, for example, they seem impractical for math classes; though the theoretical significance of certain abstract topics can be presented in a

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Atomic fatalism: A compelling yet disturbing look at human "free will"

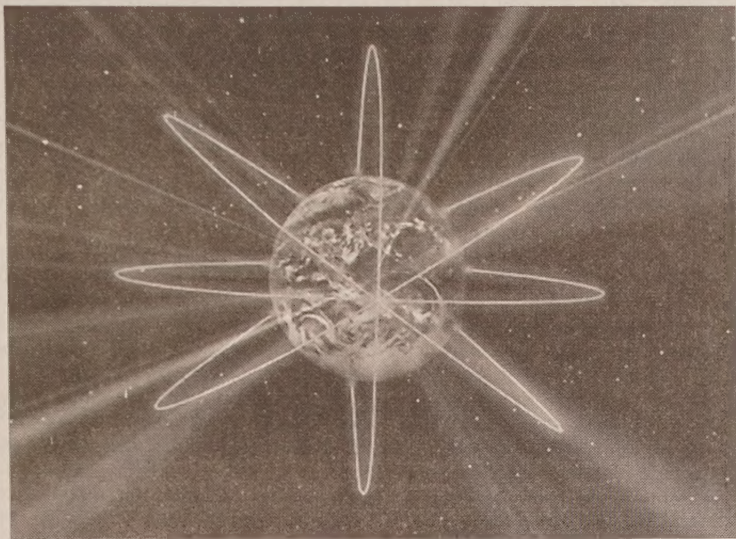
You're standing on the street corner waiting for the bus, as you do every day. The wind is cold and biting so you pull your coat closer around yourself. As you look up you see that cozy-looking café across the street that you have always been meaning to try but have never found the time. You know you will miss your bus and be late for work if you go in, but it looks so nice and warm, and you have heard that the food is great, so on impulse you decide to cross the street to get some coffee.

At that same instant, several blocks up the street a man is roaring down the road at breakneck speed, just on the edge of losing control of his car. He has held up many convenient stores before but has never been caught. He never even knew the silent alarm had been tripped until he heard the sirens approaching the store. Now with police cars blaring in pursuit he is making a desperate dash from the law.

Completely lost in panic, he is driving aimlessly through the city. As he blows through yet another red light he glimpses the street name and decides that he likes the sound of this street. Skidding wildly he swerves around the corner and BAM! The car sends you flying and you land at least 25 feet away; the man lands himself 25 years in jail.

Most people would look at the above scenario and say that is was completely random occurrence, a freak accident, one in a billion chance. One might even point to the fact that many decisions made by people out of their free will contributed to the occurrence of this accident and so there is no way to have known that this was going to happen.

But what if I told you this "accident" was destined to happen since the beginning of time. That every detail of this incident was predestined since the universe began. Your decision to skip work and eat at the café that day, the man's decision to turn on that street or to rob the store in the first place were all destined to happen. Taking an even bigger view, your parent's decision to get married and have you as well as your grandparent's decision to have your parents. Step back even farther and this predestination would encompass every decision made by every person, and every



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Atomic fatalism could theoretically predict the future of the entire universe.

event that ever occurred, the creation of the earth in the proper orbit to support life, all these things were set to happen since the big bang.

Fifteen billion years ago all the matter in the universe was squashed into a tiny, incredibly dense sphere. When enough energy built up all of the atoms in the universe exploded outward in all directions, spewing matter out into space. Each individual atom interacted with all the surrounding atoms in space according to the laws of physics. Each atom balanced the forces of repulsion of its electrons with neighboring atoms, with the attractive forces of atomic bonding and gravity.

In this way, all the matter in the universe behaves according to set rules. If we knew all the rules and had a means of measuring the movements and interactions of atoms, one could theoretically predict the exact fate of any given atom in space. This would require some kind of impossibly complex and fast super computer to keep track of every atom in the universe, and its interaction with every other atom, but regardless the atoms are still behaving in a pattern.

If a snapshot of the universe were taken at any given moment, and all the atoms were traced then the com-

puter could calculate exactly how all of the matter is going to interact and predict exactly where the atoms are going to be in the next instant, the next day, and a million years from now.

Now take this concept and apply it to our car crash scenario. Your decision to cross the street was based upon electrical impulses and chemical reactions between the neurons of your brain. At the instant that you "made the decision" to cross the street, the molecules in your brain were under-

going their normal electrical and chemical reactions, ruled by the laws of physics, and the decision to cross the street was the most favorable reaction. Your eyes took in the light of the café and

sent electrical signals to your brain, which mixed with signals from your skin saying it was too cold, and signals from your stomach saying you were hungry, all of these signals combined and competed against the established memories in your brain of getting to work on time. The signals from your body produced a more favorable reaction this time, and hence you made the "decision" to cross the street.

Extrapolating backwards from this specific "decision," it is evident that all of the decisions you have made in

your entire life were based upon the reaction of signals from your senses with your brain's memories. These memories were made due to the environment in which you were raised, which is based upon your parent's decisions of how to bring you up and the events you experience. The events you experienced in life were based on other people's "decisions" and the rest of the matter of the world reacting. For example you may be afraid of snow because you were crashed your car on an ice day. The fact that it was going to snow that day was based upon the earth's position in relation to the sun, and the climate patterns of water vapor in the atmosphere, all of which is based on physics, and therefore, could be predicted. My decision to write this article and your decision to read it, even if you agree with it or not all were predestined.

This extrapolation can take us back all the way to the decisions and circumstances of the pilgrims crossing the Atlantic to found the country we live in. Even the choice by the advanced ape, millions of years ago, to stand up on his hind legs to see predators over the grass depended upon the arrangement of all the atoms in the universe and how they interacted with the atoms in his brain, all of which could be foreseen by the computer that took a snapshot of the universe after the big bang.

This theory, which I call atomic fatalism, is unattractive to many people because it leaves no room for human "free will." It would seem that we are not really making any decisions for ourselves, rather the entire universe is simply playing out a huge chemical reaction and we are the unwitting side reactions.

I must admit that I find the broader implications of this theory to be rather depressing and bleak, but I cannot find a way to refute the logic of the theory. Barring any belief in an outside force affecting the universe, i.e. God, it is just logically follows that if matter behaves according to set laws, and if our brains and the rest of the universe is made out of matter, then we are all bound to and playing out a sort of universal atomic fatalism.

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Vaccine maker recalls drug from the market

With tick season approaching, the maker of the nation's only vaccine against Lyme disease pulled it off the market, citing poor sales.

Lymerix had caused controversy in recent years, as patients said they were sickened by the vaccine and asked the government to restrict sales. Some filed lawsuits against maker GlaxoSmithKline.

Federal health officials said Tuesday they had found no evidence that the vaccine was dangerous. They urged people in Lyme-plagued states to take precautions against the pin-sized ticks that spread the disease.

Lymerix had \$40 million in sales its first year on the market, and hundreds of thousands were vaccinated. But GlaxoSmithKline projected that fewer than 10,000 people would seek vaccination this year, and ended sales because "there's just no demand for it," said company spokeswoman Ramona Dubose.

Lyme disease is spread by ticks that live in wooded and grassy areas nationwide, but especially in the Northeast, from Maryland to Maine, and in Wisconsin and Minnesota. It causes fatigue, fevers and joint pain that can persist for weeks. Some patients develop severe arthritis. If not treated with antibiotics, Lyme disease can severely damage the heart and nervous systems.

The FDA approved the sale of Lymerix in 1998. But the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention had urged that only people at high risk of Lyme disease be vaccinated, largely because the expensive vaccine didn't offer complete protection. Studies showed it was 80 percent effective after people got all three required shots.

After vaccinations began, some patients reported arthritis, muscle pain and other troubling symptoms.

Many of the symptoms were similar to Lyme disease itself, and 15 percent of the U.S. population has arthritis anyway. Scientists found teasing out any connection to Lymerix difficult.

In one study, 5,000 people got Lymerix and another 5,000 got dummy shots. Two percent of each group developed arthritis-like symptoms.

The CDC re-examined 905 possible side effects reported to the government between 1998 and July 2000.

The CDC's results, just published in the journal *Vaccine*, found no signs that Lymerix caused arthritis, but did find 22 cases of allergic reaction.

Those studies don't persuade some critics. At least seven lawsuits are pending over alleged Lymerix reactions, and several hundred more people may file, said Philadelphia attorney Stephen A. Sheller.

"We're thrilled" that Lymerix is being taken off the market, said Karen Forschner of the Lyme Disease Foundation, who recently presented information to the FDA that she says suggests Lymerix safety studies were seriously flawed.

The FDA is continuing to investigate.

While Lyme cases have reached record highs in recent years, there's no way to know if this spring will bring a bumper crop of Lyme-bearing ticks, said CDC Lyme expert David Dennis.

But there are steps people should take to lower their risk of Lyme and other tick-borne diseases, he advised:

—Check yourself and your children daily for ticks. Scientists believe Lyme-bearing ticks must remain attached for 36 hours to infect someone.

—Wear long sleeves and pants tucked into socks or boots when venturing into tick-prone areas like unmowed grass or brush, and use insect repellent that contains DEET.

—To discourage ticks from moving into yards, put a barrier, such as a layer of wood chips, between woods and grass. Remove leaves and brush; ticks prefer dark, moist habitats.

Lyme disease is spread by ticks that feed on deer and rodents. Because communities have been leery of wide-scale pesticide use, the CDC is testing more targeted technology: bait boxes that rub tick-killing pesticides on rodents, and feeding bins that do the same to deer.

Study: Teens admit to more binge drinking

Nearly a third of high school students say they binge drink at least once a month, according to a new report by an advocacy group. The government estimates underage drinkers account for 11.4 percent of all alcohol consumed in the United States.

"Underage drinking has reached epidemic proportions in America," said Joseph Califano Jr., president of the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University, which issued the report Tuesday.

The report, which analyzes two years' research, "is a clarion call for national mobilization to curb underage drinking," said Califano, a former U.S. secretary of health, education and welfare.

Califano's group also asserted that young people between the ages of 12 and 20 accounted for 25 percent of all alcoholic beverages consumed in the United States.

That contention prompted the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the government agency that conducted the 1998 survey cited by Califano's group, to issue a statement saying underage drinkers account for 11.4 percent of U.S. alcohol consumption.

"Regardless of any discrepancies ..., any alcohol use before age 21 is unacceptable and against the law," said the agency, an arm of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Citing the government figures, the alcoholic beverage industry accused Califano's group of falsifying its numbers.

"It looks like Mr. Califano and CASA have adopted Enron's accounting practices," said Phil Lynch, a spokesman for Brown-Forman Corp., whose products include Jack Daniel's Tennessee whiskey.

Frank Coleman, a spokesman for the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States, called Califano "a serial abuser of statistics for sensational purposes."

Both the government and CASA percentages were based on a 1998 National Household Survey on Drug Abuse in which 25,500 people, including 9,759 between the ages of 12 and 20 were questioned in their homes.

While the 12-20 age group represented 38 percent of those surveyed, they account for about only 13 percent of the total U.S. population, according to 2000 Census Bureau figures. The government says it weighted its survey results to account for the age discrepancy between its survey sample and the total population.

Califano, in an interview Tuesday, defended his group's decision not to make that adjustment.

"The household survey is taken by going into a home and asking parents if you can talk to their children. If parents are in the living room and you (the surveyor and the teen) are in the kitchen, the odds of getting a really solid answer are slim. So there's a tremendous underestimate in reporting," Califano said.

Some of the CASA report's findings:

—Eighty-seven percent of adults who drink had their first drink before age 21.

—The gender gap for drinking is disappearing. Female ninth-graders were just as likely to be drinkers as male ninth-graders.

—Eighty-one percent of high school students have consumed alcohol, compared with 70 percent who have smoked cigarettes and 47 percent who have used marijuana.

—Most teens who experiment with alcohol continue using it. Among high school seniors who had tried alcohol, 91.3 percent still were drinking in the 12th grade.

The percentage of teens who drink in binges — 31 percent among high school students — was obtained by using the Youth Risk Behavior Survey of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, published in 2000.

Binge drinking often is described as four consecutive drinks for a woman or five drinks for a man. According to an American Medical Association survey last year, binge drinking is among parents' top worries. Around 44 percent of college students admit to binge drinking, and nearly a fourth of those binge frequently.

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UPCOMING LECTURES AT HOMEWOOD AND JHMI

Thursday, February 28
"Dorso-ventral patterning in development of mouse spinal cord and brain"
Jonathan Eggenschwiler,
Sloan-Kettering
Mudd Hall 100, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 28
WORKSHOP - WRITING HISTORY ON COMMISSION
Richard G. Hewlett
Kenneth Durr
History Associates, Inc.
Gilman 329, 3:00 p.m.

Monday, March 4
"Carbon, Nitrogen and Water Cycling in Response to Rising Atmospheric CO₂"
Dr. Bruce Hungate,
Biology Dept Northern Arizona Univ
Olin Hall Auditorium, 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 6
"The Sodium Pump, Past and Future"
Dr. Douglas Fambrough,
Johns Hopkins University
Mudd Hall Auditorium, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 7
"Histone Acetyltransferases: From Structure to Mechanism"
Ronen Marmorstein,
The Wistar Institute
Mudd Hall 100, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, March 11
"Molecular Modeling in Environmental Geochemistry"
Dr. James Kubicki,
Dept of Geosciences,
Pennsylvania State Univ
Olin Hall, 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 12
"How to Cure Diabetes without Causing Cancer: A signal transduction approach"
Dr. Philip Cohen Royal,
University of Dundee, Scotland
The Wood Basic Science Auditorium, 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 12
"Molecular Architecture at Organic-Inorganic Interfaces"
Professor Robert,
Hamers University of Wisconsin
Remsen Hall 233, 4:15 p.m.

Thursday, March 14
"Phosphoinositide- and ubiquitin-dependent regulation of membrane sorting and receptor down-regulation"
Scott Emr,
UCSD
Mudd Hall 100, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 14
WORKSHOP - MEDICAL COMPLAINTS.
ANTHROPOLOGICAL VIS-A-VIS HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES
Venna Das,
Department of Anthropology Johns Hopkins
Gilman 329, 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19
"Functional analysis of LTRPC family ion channels"
Dr. Andrew M. Scharenberg,
University of Washington
and Children's Hospital and Medical Center,
Department of Pediatrics and Immunology
The M. Daniel Lane Conference Center
(612 Physiology), 11:45 a.m.

Thursday, March 28
"Novel soluble glycolipid mimics provide new insights into the pathogenesis of verotoxin and HIV"
Clifford Lingwood,
University of Toronto
Mudd Hall 100, 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 2
"Laser Probes of the Potential Energy Landscapes and Dynamics of Small, Flexible Biomolecules"
Professor Timothy Zwier,
Purdue University
Remsen Hall 233, 4:15 p.m.

Thursday, April 4
"Magic and Manipulation: Jesuit Politics, Johannes Baptists van Helmont, and his Treatise on the Magnetic Cure of Wounds"
Mark Waddell,
Johns Hopkins University
Gilman 329, 3:00 p.m.

Monday, April 8
"Observational and Computational Investigations of Generation of the Earth's Magnetic Field"
Dr. Jeremy Bloxham,
Dept of Earth & Planetary Sciences,
Harvard Univ
Olin Hall Auditorium, 4:00 p.m.

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Dengue epidemic sweeps through Rio

Nine-hour waiting lines at hospitals, blood banks running dry, army troops summoned to swat disease-spreading mosquitos — an epidemic of dengue fever is gripping this city.

At least 18 people have died and tens of thousands are sick in Rio de Janeiro state — and experts say the worst is still to come as Brazilians cringe whenever they hear a mosquito's drone.

"March and April will be worse," Alexandre Adler, a biologist at Rio's Federal University, said in a televised interview Tuesday. "With the recent rains and the concentration of infected people, we will see a big increase."

State health authorities report nearly 44,000 cases of dengue since January, about one-third of them in greater Rio. But many cases go unreported, and some unofficial estimates put the number as high as 130,000.

Also known as breakbone fever, the most common form of dengue causes severe headaches and joint pains but is usually not deadly and most sufferers recover within a week. The more serious dengue hemorrhagic fever has a fatality rate of 5 percent, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. There is no vaccine.

"I felt like my eyeballs would explode. It was the worst pain I ever felt," said Roberto Pereira, a musician.

The disease was common in colonial times but widely thought to be eradicated here until two decades ago. Cuba, Peru and El Salvador also have recently reported outbreaks.

Combating dengue has been hampered by politics. During a 1991 outbreak that killed 24 people, Rio residents joked that authorities were arguing whether mosquitos were federal, state or municipal insects.

In the latest epidemic, Rio state Gov. Anthony Garotinho and former Health Minister Jose Serra are blaming each other for allowing dengue to spread out of control. Both are presidential hopefuls, and the government fears that the epidemic could hurt Serra's chances in the October election.

"Serra is going to be held responsible for this in the campaign," said Fernando Fonseca, a political scientist at the Fundacao Getulio Vargas business school in Sao Paulo.

Meanwhile, dengue has spread across Rio, from tidewater shantytowns to wealthy beachfront condos. Pop singers Zelia Duncan and Joyce canceled shows because of dengue, nearly the entire Vasco women's basketball team was sidelined with it — even a samba was written about it.

Hospitals are packed with dengue sufferers, who often wait as long as nine hours to see a doctor. Starting in March, patients will be able to get help at makeshift clinics in hundreds of public schools.

The demand for blood transfusions for the more seriously ill, especially those with the deadly hemorrhagic dengue, also has risen sharply. The state blood bank said that unless more donors come forward it could ask hospitals to postpone all but emergency surgery.

The federal government pledged more than 1,300 army soldiers and navy personnel to help combat dengue starting next month. Rio state health officials said 7,000 firefighters and volunteers will join the fight, and the city announced it plans to use helicopters and crop-dusters to spray insecticide over dengue hot spots.

The targets are two types of mosquitos, known as *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*, which pick up the virus when they bite an infected person and transmit it when they bite again. They lay eggs in clean, still water, found in everything from discarded tires to potted plants.

"With thousands of cariocas sounding the alarm about mosquitos breeding grounds, the epidemic, even if inevitable, can be reduced," the Rio daily O Globo said in an editorial Tuesday.

T. Rex probably couldn't run

Tyrannosaurus rex, the fearsome carnivore depicted as fast on its feet in the *Jurassic Park* movies, may have been a bit of a slowpoke.

A study suggests that at six tons and 40 feet in length, the two-legged T. rex was so big its leg muscles could not have let it sprint.

Using a computer model to calculate how much muscle an animal needs to move at different speeds and postures, two California researchers estimated that T. rex was capable of moving in the range of 11 mph to 25 mph, with the lower figure more likely.

That is far less than the 45 mph some scientists have suggested.

"Twenty-five mph cannot be ruled out, but it's really straining credulity. It would require such enormous power it would be pushing its limits or going beyond its limits," said John R. Hutchinson of Stanford University.

The conclusion may have a bearing on the long-running debate over whether T. rex was a predator that chased down its prey or a scavenger that fed on carcasses.

Hutchinson and Garcia tested their computer model on alligators and chickens — two relatives of dinosaurs. It correctly predicted that alligators' leg muscles were too small for them to run quickly and that chickens' leg muscles are more than adequate for fast running.

When the same model was applied to T. rex, the researchers found that to move as fast as 45 mph, its leg muscles would have had to make up 86 percent of its weight. That would have been impossible, because it would have left only 14 percent for the rest of T. rex's enormous body.

University of Maryland paleontologist Thomas Holtz Jr. agreed with the team's findings but said the approach should be tested on larger animals such as ostriches that are closer in size to T. rex.

Chris Brochu, a paleontologist at the University of Iowa, praised the paper as "the firmest statement yet made on how fast a large bipedal dinosaur could have moved — its running ability or lack thereof."

But he said the study does not mean T. rex was too slow to prey on other large beasts such as triceratops. He said the limitations that may have kept T. rex from running fast apply to other big dinosaurs, too.

Martin Lockley, a professor of geology at the University of Colorado at Denver, said the computer model cannot reproduce the complexities of the hulking T. rex.

"Animals are not machines. These animals were dynamic and flexible, and tissue is very hard to reduce to numbers," he said.

Hacker says he found NY Times files

The New York Times is investigating a hacker's claim that he found security lapses in the newspaper's computer network that exposed contributors' Social Security numbers and other sensitive files.

Adrian Lamo, 21, a part-time Internet security consultant from San Francisco, says he hacked the newspaper's Web site and snooped around numerous times almost two weeks ago.

He said he found at least seven misconfigured servers that would allow hackers to enter the newspaper's private network through its public Web site. He said he browsed through names and Social Security numbers of the paper's employees, home delivery customers' orders and contact information used by writers and editors on the Metro and Business desks.

He said he accessed a database of 3,000 contributors to the Times' op-ed page, which included Social Security numbers for celebrities and government officials.

Lamo said he waited to publicize his exploit until after SecurityFocus, the Internet security firm that told his story on its Web site, informed the Times — and he was sure all the vulnerabilities had been closed.

"It's both my personal desire and SecurityFocus policy to see to it that all the holes being reported on are closed so no third parties can take advantage of the holes," he said Wednesday.

Christine Mohan, a spokeswoman for the Times, confirmed that SecurityFocus had on Tuesday notified the newspaper of the possible security breach.

"Right now we're investigating the situation. We did identify the flaw, and we believe we were able to address the security issues that were raised," she said.

Mohan said she could not comment on Lamo's specific claims of what information he was able to access because "we're determining what information may have been exposed. It's an ongoing investigation. We take security very seriously, so we're really putting a lot of attention to it right now."

BY JONATHAN GROVER
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

Recently, scientists at Texas A&M, funded by biotech company, Genetic Savings & Clone, announced that they were successful at becoming the first group to clone a cat. The cat, a product of a project called Operation CopyCat, was curiously named da CC (CC standing for Carbon Copy).

However, while CC may be genetically identical to her "original" how much of a "Carbon Copy" is she? She may be just as cute and cuddly as the "original", she may even have the same meow, but in this case she doesn't even look like her "original."

But how is this possible, one might ask? After all, isn't CC supposed to be an identical genetic copy? This must be some kind of trick.

Well, there's no trick here (at least not one that anyone's aware of). It seems that not everything is determined by genetics.

In this case, a cat's calico pattern is, in fact, partially determined by the mother's (or surrogate mother's) womb.

With the realization that not everything relies solely on genetics one begins to wonder what are the other differences between CC and the original? Will CC inherit the knowledge of the original? Will she inherit her memories? Will she even be guaranteed to be in the relatively healthy condition that the original was in? The answers are no, no and no.

But alas, we have stumbled onto the age-old argument of nature versus nurture. Is an animal a product of its genes or its environment?

There's no real answer to this question, other than it's at the very least some of both. At this junction we come upon one of the more serious ethical arguments of cloning animals (other than the obvious argument regarding cloning in general).

Companies like PerPETuate, or Lazon BioTechnologies or Genetic Savings & Clone, are all marketing their extremely pricey services on one stage: that with cloning you will never have to say goodbye. These companies will allow one to harvest, store and clone the DNA of their beloved pet so that at the instant of death they can snap their fingers and have a new 'identical' pet appear on their doorstep.

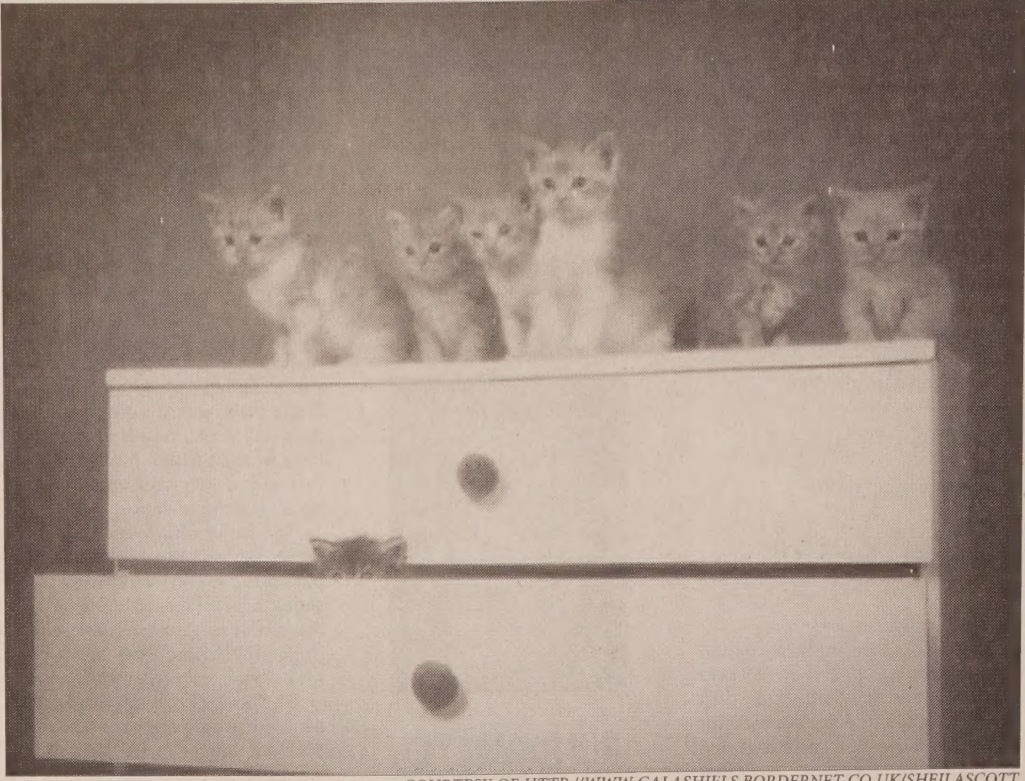
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Cloning offers pet owners a way to deal with the loss of their companions by bringing them back to life.

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In fact the cloning technology isn't even far enough advanced to be reliable.

A Japanese study of cloned mice found that the majority died at an unusually young age of liver and lung complications.

In CC's case, the researchers cloned 87 embryos into eight surrogate mother cats just to get one healthy cat.

While this may be a step up from the 277 attempts made before Dolly was cloned, it is still a shot in the dark.

In the end Dr. Bok may have a point about cloning - at least for now: "It causes needless suffering in pursuit of an end that isn't worth pursuing, and does so at enormous expense."

Doctors debate child LASIK surgery

BY MELISSA HUANG
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

For practical or cosmetic purposes, about 3 million Americans got rid of glasses and contact lenses permanently because of LASIK surgery. The popular LASIK procedures are usually conducted on adults; however, the age of the patients may be decreasing. In the United States and countries overseas, studies are currently trying to uncover the effectiveness and safety of LASIK as a treatment for eye disorder in children and adolescents.

Until solid results from the studies confirm the reliability of LASIK procedure on children, doctors continue to hold different views on the whether LASIK should be given to younger patients.

For some children, LASIK seems to be the only alternative for better vision. Dr. Robert Maloney, director of the Maloney Vision Institute in Los Angeles, said, "I'm very comfortable recommending LASIK for adolescents who can't wear glasses or contacts for whatever reason and need good vision." Maloney supports his view with several examples of past patients.

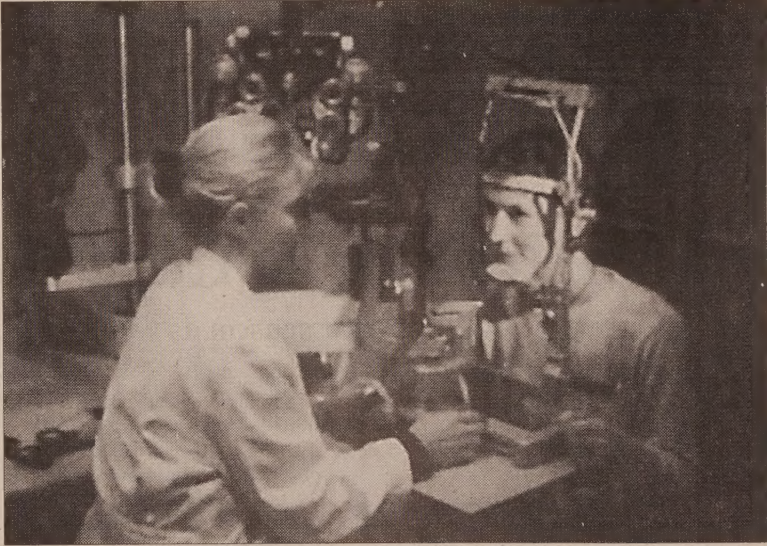
A 16-year-old high school football team captain, who could not tolerate contacts and could not wear glasses with his helmet, underwent LASIK and sees fine now. An eight-year-old boy had normal vision in one eye but needed to wear a contact in the other.

Maloney explained, "Unfortunately, he has severe attention deficit disorder, and the contact kept falling out."

"His parents were losing thousands of dollars a year on contact lenses. [LASIK] worked spectacularly. He did better in school. He was able to participate in sports." Out of about 20,000 LASIK surgeries that Maloney has performed, only a tiny portion of the procedures were conducted on children. LASIK surgery involves the reshaping of a patient's cornea by a doctor with a laser beam.

The eyes continue to grow and change shape until adulthood (age 18). A child who receives LASIK at an early age may need more surgery later on as the eyes continue to alter shape.

Many doctors caution against treating young patients with LASIK except for a serious medical need. The American Academy of Ophthalmology has not yet decided to support LASIK for kids or not. LASIK is not on the way to become a common



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Optometrists argue the pros and cons of performing LASIK eye surgery on children.

thing for children who have problems with contacts and glasses. It is too risky to administer LASIK to children merely because they do not like to wear glasses.

Dr. Walter Stark, director of cornea and cataract services at the Wilmer Eye Institute and a professor at John Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore, advised, "On a routine basis, we should strongly advise against this."

"Nobody knows what's going to happen to the child's eye. The data are not in for younger people, so the safety has not been documented. This is not something to be promoted."

Dr. Stark mentions that even though the Food and Drug Administration has not officially approved of LASIK surgery on minors, doctors have the discretion to make "compassionate" choices on a case-by-case basis.

Dr. Stark explained, "The LASIK procedure has been promoted so much. People come in and they don't know what it is. Some doctors promote it so much, and they really don't want people to realize it is surgery."

This is actually a fairly big surgical procedure on the eyes. It's a major commitment. So you just have to be careful when you are dealing with minor."

Stark is a relatively conservative surgeon because he turns away 60% of the adult patients who come to him for LASIK surgery.

Stark asserted, "Is there a tidal wave of adolescents demanding LASIK for purely cosmetic reasons? No, that's just not happening."

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NBA Eastern Conference in shambles

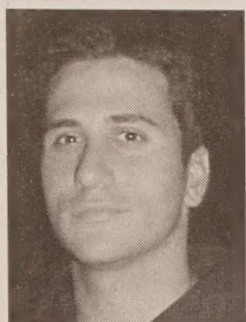
Only one team will be able to challenge a Western Conference team in the NBA finals

On the NBA is looking pretty sorry right about now. There is no beast in the East, the best is in the West and the Hornets, well they might be in N'awlins next season. It seems as though everything in the NBA is uncertain right now, except for two things: Other than the Nets, there is no contender in the Eastern Conference, and the Chicago

all turns out.

This Wizards team is about to drop several games. Without Jordan, the Wizards are nothing special.

On the opposite end of the Eastern Conference is the Chicago Bulls. The Bulls have potential for the future, plenty of potential. But right now, they blow. If Jalen Rose helps this team to improve then Jerry Krause is going to look like a genius. Krause traded four starters;



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THE BOTTOM LINE

Ron Mercer, Brad Miller, Ron Artest, and Kevin Ollie in return for Rose, Travis Best, Norman Richardson and a conditional second round draft pick.

In other words, the Bulls traded their three top scorers and point guard for Jalen Rose, Travis Best and a throw in. I did not think that the Bulls would improve, but are 3-1 since obtaining Rose.

Now the Bulls are now starting three rookies, AJ Guyton, and Rose. Two of the three rookies, Tyson Chandler and Eddie Curry, are straight out of high school. Twin towers they may be, but they need to improve a lot. These two seven foot tall 19-year-olds can make the Bulls into a future power. Chandler needs to gain at least 25 pounds to his Cambyesque physique, in order to bang with the big boys. He's got time, he'll fill out eventually. Curry, also known as "Baby Shaq", is already physically developed, he needs to develop the mental aspect of the game and just like Shaq, learn to shoot free throws consistently.

Combined with Jalen Rose and surprising Rookie Trenton Haskell, the Bulls may be contenders... a few years down the line.

Acquiring three established players will really help the Pacers out. With Brad Miller playing center, Jermaine O'Neal can play in true position, power forward. Artest is one of the best defenders in the league, and Mercer, when healthy, is a great scorer. Isiah Thomas has now has a much deeper and hopefully less quarrelsome Pacers team to coach.

The New York Knicks are the prototype of a bad front office. The Knicks are still trying to cling to the nucleus created when Patrick Ewing was a member of the organization. Their three guard combination of Sprewell, Houston and Jackson might have worked with a healthy Patrick Ewing and Marcus Camby picking up the defensive slack.

The Knicks have not had a true center the past two seasons and are paying for it. The Knicks front office should have traded either Allan Houston or Latrell Sprewell last season. Preferably Houston, before he signed his inflated contract extension.

The Knicks cannot continue to play with two shooting guards. Latrell Sprewell cannot guard a small forward like Lamar Odom, who is five inches taller than him. Mark Jackson is slowing the Knicks down by his gigantic ass and lack of defensive ability.

The beast in the East is all but gone. Right now, the best is in the West.

ties. He may be able to put up eight assists a night, but probably allows just as many. The Knicks are overpaid, injury prone, and under-achieving.

The front office will have to live with their mistakes. The Knicks needed a hard ass coach like Jeff Van Gundy to actually motivate them. When Van Gundy left, the Knicks fell apart.

The Boston Celtics are looking at a promising season after so many bad ones. Pitino's system obviously was not winning games for them. However, they were blessed with an easy first half schedule so their win-loss record may seem inflated.

Antoine Walker and Paul Pierce are the best forward duo in the league right now. Pierce is a pure scorer who

can either drive to the basket or make the outside shot. Walker has never had a high field goal percentage, but manages over 20 points a game due to his tenacity and ability to get to the free throw line. If Kenny Anderson were a better point guard this team could be something special. I still cannot see this team dominating any of the top teams in the Western Conference.

The Charlotte Hornets might not even be in Charlotte next year. The fans love the team, but hate the owner, George Shin. Its kinda funny how moving to a smaller market, like New Orleans, will apparently help the team earn money.

The Detroit Pistons are looking like the dark horse team to win the Central division. They slowly crept up on the Bucks thanks to Jerry Stackhouse and Cliff Robinson. Corliss Williamson has already proven that he can produce, he just needs to play more than 20 minutes a game.

The Milwaukee Bucks are looking like they're losing it. The big three of Ray Allen, Sam Cassell and Glenn Robinson all need to be healthy for this team to succeed. After they were just embarrassed by the Lakers, I cannot see them standing up to any West Coast contender.

On the other hand, the Western Conference has never looked stronger. The Lakers, Kings, Spurs, Mavericks, and Timberwolves all look like legitimate contenders. Each team has at least two genuine superstars, and great depth.

The Lakers are looking rather vulnerable at the moment while the Mavericks seem to be picking up steam with their recent acquisition of Raef LaFrentz and Nick Van Exel.

The Kings are looking strong with Mike Bibby at point guard instead of Jason Williams. Their reserves are some of the deepest in the league.

The Timberwolves have utilized the zone defense to their advantage, while the addition of Steve Smith makes the Spurs far more than just Tim Duncan and David Robinson.

Yes, there are other teams in the Eastern Conference, but none of them have a chance against the Timberwolves, Lakers, Spurs, Mavericks, or Kings in a seven game series, with the lone exception being the Nets. Many teams have upgraded, but they are still not contenders. The beast in the East is all but gone. Right now, the best is in the West.

Jayson is nothing if not a true good guy

The news of Jayson Williams's apparent involvement in a homicide last week hit me very hard. I will always consider Jayson to be one of my all-time favorite athletes and the way his career was cut about a decade short by injury to this day gives me a sick feeling in my stomach.

It is a fact that the limo driver hired to drive Jayson and his buds around died in Jayson's house. The circumstances surrounding the event are still very blurry at this point, but Jayson turned himself in to the police on Monday and is facing a charge of manslaughter.

I have nothing but fond memories of and good things to say about Williams from his days as the star of the New Jersey Nets, even though things are surfacing from his past that are less than flattering. Now that his NBA playing days are behind him, Jayson is a nothing if not a comedian.

Consider the all-time greatest epi-



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sode of MTV cribs, which featured Jayson Williams' palatial estate; one of television's funniest moments ever. Jayson owns a damn big house. With a golf course. And a movie theater. He graciously invited MTV viewers inside for a glimpse.

You could not help completely falling in love with the wacky Williams after watching this episode. I am lucky enough to have this bad boy on tape.

Jayson drags the cameraman through his house, showing him all the luxuries he himself considers absurd. He shows off a framed drawing of a man's face composed of thousands upon thousands of tiny little dots. "I paid a man five thousand dollars to tell me that," Jayson cackles.

He takes the posse out to his private golf course and claims that he beat Michael Jordan but Tiger Woods beat him by about 50 strokes. He also said that he beat Al Gore, but that Gore wanted a recount. Ah, Jayson and his one-liners.

The tour continues inside to his movie theater, where he finds a crowd of people sprawled all over the furniture. "Do you put your feet up in your mamma's house?" he bellows.

He proceeds on to the kitchen and opens his fridge, expressing surprise at how neat it is. He claims it

never really looks like that and begins to throw handfuls of lettuce all over the inside of the fridge and begins squirting ketchup every-

He's spent years in the public eye in the New York area and has always come off as nothing but sincere, honest, endearing and hilarious.

where. "That's more like it," he grins.

As part of his property, Jayson owns a farm. He has all this ridiculous farm equipment that are really of no use, like a handful of giant dump trucks. He goes tearing all over the property on various pieces of farm machinery and then switches to a golf cart, which he proceeds to drive straight into a lake.

The farm is complete with cows, sheep and horses. These are not stud horses he uses to make money, these are former race horses that people abandoned. Jayson rescued all of them from a shelter. He told a story about the first horse he ever owned, which his father bought for him. Jayson took the horse out for a long, exhausting ride and when they returned, Jayson gave the horse plenty of nice, cold water to drink.

Tragically, the cold water was too much of a shock to the horse's system and the horse died. Jayson has since then taken it upon himself to take in these abandoned and neglected horses as his duty. Jayson introduces the viewers to an older horse, who stands about shoulder-high to Jayson himself. "This one," Jayson said, rubbing the horse's head, "he don't have long."

When I tell you that every time I watch that part, I honestly start to cry, you will understand what Jayson means to me.

He's spent years in the public eye in the New York area and has always come off as nothing but sincere, honest, endearing and hilarious.

If given the opportunity to invite three people to dinner, Jayson Williams would undoubtedly be sitting at the head of the table. It is obviously tragic that a man lost his life, but I will never believe in my heart that Jayson is capable of anything as malicious as this.

Track excels in Centennial Conf Tournament

Team to prepare for upcoming 2002 outdoor season as well as ECAC Championships

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relay, Campbell, junior Jamie Parks, sophomore Alex Gochal and senior Captain John Apperson brought the team home in a second place finish at 10:36.94, chopping 9-1/2 seconds off the old Hopkins record. Campbell and Amos combined with freshman Jesse Fulton and sophomore Ben Stopper to grab a point for JHU in the 4 X 200m relay, finishing with a time of 3:32.88, and breaking the existing school record by 3 seconds.

"They all ran outstanding legs," Van Allen remarked.

Further points were provided for the Blue Jays when junior Brian Nichols, who could not defend his pole vault championship due to an arm injury, surprised with a fourth place in the 55m high hurdles and Brian Wolcott vaulted 13'-1" for 5th place. Senior Captain Moky Cheung finished 7th in the shotput, while Ben Stopper finished eighth in the long jump and Apperson finished seventh at 800m.

For the women, freshman Jessica Bylander broke three Hopkins records, finishing third in the 55-meter dash in 7.50, setting a new

Hopkins record of 7.49 in her heat. She continued her record runs with school records in the 200m in 27.60 and an anchor leg on the 4 X 200

Going into the last event, we were still in the running for a 3rd place finish... It is easy to see what those 10 points would have meant to the team scoring.

—HEAD COACH BOBBY VAN ALLEN

relay. "[Bylander] is having a sensational freshman year," Van Allen

commented.

Sophomore Heather Blair finished third in the 1500m with a time of 4:47.69 and 4th in the 800 with a time of 2:23.96. She also ran anchor legs on the Distance Medley Relay, which placed fourth, and the 4 X 400 relay, which ran its best time of the season. Jackie Evans placed third in the shot put with a distance of 34'6-1/4". Hilary Knipe was fifth in the 5000 meter run with a personal best 19:17.06, Megan Carr pole-vaulted 8 ft. to claim fifth place and Chi Chi Ogbonna missed the school record in the 55m hurdles by 1/100th of a second with 9.86.

freshman Hannah Bracken placed eighth in the 400m in a freshman best of 64.38, in addition to running in the 200m and scoring points on three relay teams. Joining Bracken and Bylander on the record-breaking 4 X 200m relay team were Captain Nikki Gross and Chi Chi Ogbonna.

Van Allen commented afterwards that he had hoped for a slightly better team score, but injuries hurt the team. "We lost 10 more sure points in both cases," Van Allen said. "Our men were nine points behind third place

and we ended up 6th. Going into the last event, we were still in the running for a third place finish, a place where we have never found ourselves in before. It is easy to see what those 10 points would have meant to the team scoring."

The team will send key athletes to the East Coast Conference Championships in Boston next weekend and will then begin preparing for the outdoor season.

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Swimming diving towards NCAAs

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200 individual medley in 2:12.22. Just like the men's squad, the women's team also registered four victories in the relays. In these races, they relied heavily on many of the same athletes who competed in the individual events as well. The 200m free relays team of Harbeson, Rudinsky and McLenithan won in 1:39.82. The 400m free team of

Rudinsky, McLenithan, Smirnova and Harbeson won in 3:37.66. The 800m free relay team of Meghan Bullock, Emma Gregory, Harbeson, and Smirnova took victory in 7:55.49. Finally, the 400m medley relay team comprised of Elizabeth Schlicher, Lauren Thompson, Rudinsky and Harbeson won in 4:01.68. Over the weekend, more Blue Jays

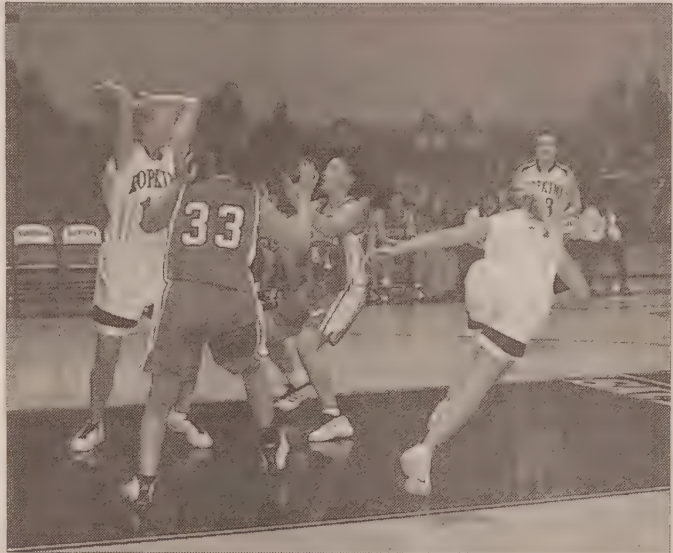
qualified to go to the championship

We are really in the running to take nationals.

—JOE CHUNG

ers who did not qualify will rest their hopes on the shoulders of some of the team's best swimmers as they advance to the NCAA Championships to represent Hopkins. "We are really in the running to take nationals," said Chung. Now, those swimmers who have qualified will compete in the NCAA Championships that will take part in mid-March in Oxford, Ohio. The women's championship will be the 14-16 of March while the men will compete the following week, on March 21-23.

meet, adding to the strength of Hopkins' national team. As a result, play-



A postseason berth was an unexpected surprise for W. Basketball.

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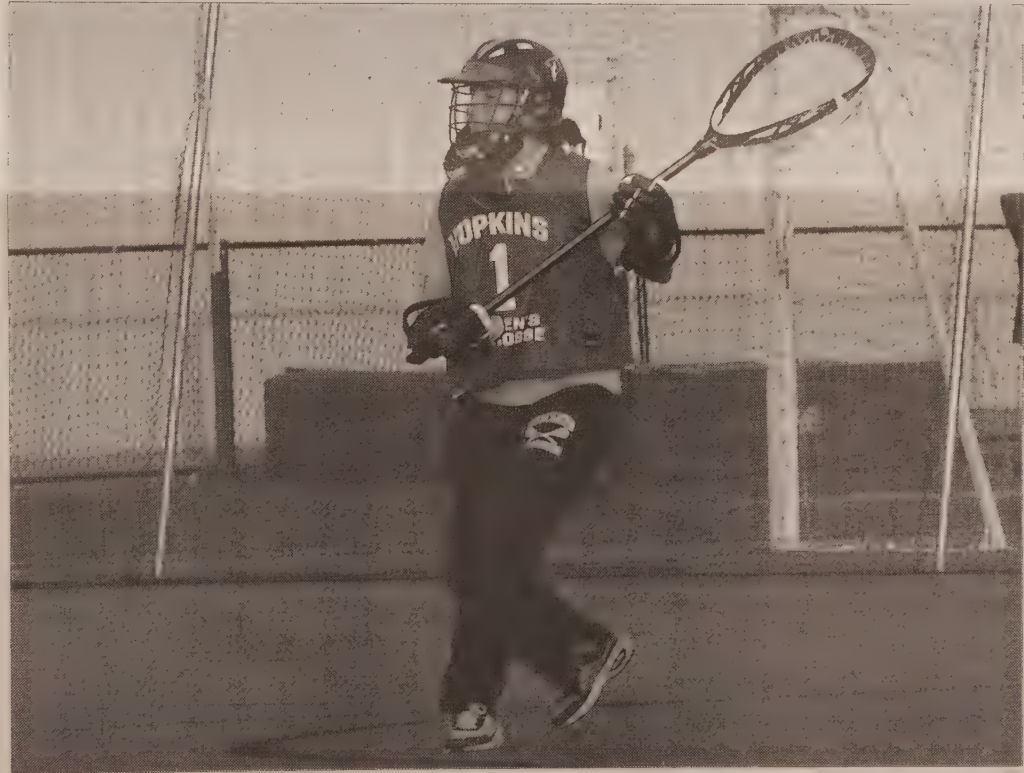
W. B-ball vs. F&M in playoff matchup

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and then defeating Franklin & Marshall in what were scheduled to be the final two games of theseason. The Blue Jays were forced to play a tie-breaking game with Western Maryland to decide which team would advance to the Centennial Conference Championships. In that game, the Blue Jays lost in heartbreaking fashion, 70-68 when Western Maryland center Chris Brust made two free throws with 2.1 seconds remaining in the game to hand Hopkins the loss. As a result, Western Maryland advanced to the Centennial Con-

ference Championships and Hopkins earned a bid into the ECAC Tournament. Regardless of the season's ending, however, there were still many bright spots for the Blue Jays. Among them was the play of junior center Kathy Darling, who transferred from Rowan this year. She led the team in scoring, rebounding and field goal percentage. In addition, Darling received first-team All-Centennial honors. Junior guard Ashley Shepler earned honorable mention All-Centennial honors after she led the Blue Jays in assists and three-point percentage.

W. Lax shows strong defense, stagnant offense

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positioned in third place. But players were quick to caution that the team did not play to its potential in Sunday's loss. Many pointed to the fact that players felt first-game jitters and also that the team did not compete in any preseason scrimmages as key reasons why Sunday's game did not result in a victory for the Blue Jays. "We didn't have any scrimmages this season and that made it tough for us. It was our first game of the year and I think we all had a little bit of anxiety," said Pearce. Their Head Coach Janine Tucker, agreed. "I thought we looked hesitant. A little out of sync," said Tucker. "We were not as aggressive as we were in practice everyday. We got out-hustled." Tucker continued, "I thought we never found our rhythm... We shot 15 percent as a team. If you shoot 15 percent, you are not going to win a ball game." At the same time, the disappointing loss provided little reason for optimism on the part of players, many of whom believe their team is talented enough to gain it's first ever entrance into the NCAA Tournament. "I felt like none of us played to everyone's expectations," said Pearce. "I think we will have to play more like a team for this weekend's games." Indeed, the Blue Jays will need to pull themselves together before the



MIKE FISCHER/NEWS-LETTER

The Women's Lacrosse team lost their opening game of the season where the offense struggled to produce.

tough weekend that lies ahead. Hopkins will face no shortage of good teams on this southern swing as they will take on North Carolina who is currently ranked No. 6 in the nation

on Friday, and No. 2 Duke on Sunday. Many players realize that in order to be victorious this weekend, the Blue Jays will have to turn Sunday's loss

into a positive experience. "Hopefully we can put Sunday's game behind us, but at the same time we will learn from our mistakes," said Pearce.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Name: Jen McDonald
Nickname: Jenny McD
Hometown: Garden City, NY
Sport: Lacrosse
Position: Goalie



Name: Karl Sineath
Nickname: I hear people say "Youjerk" a lot, but I don't know what it means.
Hometown: West Chester, PA
Sport: Baseball
Position: Second Base and Leadoff Hitter

Major: Sociology
Class: Junior
Favorite JHU Class: Criminal Justice
Lax Achievements: Named ECAC MVP
Future Aspirations after JHU: Work in New York City and make some money
Pre-game ritual: pregame hand shake with Megs and pregame dance with Kate Gilland
Favorite Quote: "buster" "Boss"
Unique fact about you: I come from a family of 18
Favorite pro athlete: Michael Jordan
Other interests: hanging out with "the family"

The Women's Lacrosse team will be facing both North Carolina and Duke this weekend.

Compiled by Jenny Farrelly

Major: Psychology
Favorite JHU class: "I don't remember the name of it, but we met in the Gilman bathroom."
Achievements: Team Captain, 4 year starter, holds many JHU baseball records, led the nation in stolen bases
Future aspirations at JHU: To take over the News-Letter.
Pre-game ritual: "Let's just say that I love Maura."
Favorite quote: "I'm sittin' on my watch so I can be on time."
Unique fact about you: "I actually like people."
Favorite pro athlete: "I don't write his name or say it out loud, but here's a hint: He beat death to become an American hero."
Other interests: See "Pre-game ritual," also working in the rec center and being the ball boy for the field hockey team

The Baseball team will open the season against Messiah.

Men's Lacrosse battles Cornell in scrimmage

On a beautiful day for lacrosse this past Saturday, the Men's Lacrosse team took on Cornell in a scrimmage here at Homewood field. Cornell has a strong defense and was therefore a great test for the Blue Jays, who will be facing another strong defense in their home opener against No. 1-ranked Princeton. The game was rocky at times and definitely challenging for the youthful Hopkins team. They are still coming together and forming a unit, and as expected, that obviously takes time and practice against good competition like Cornell. The Jays were down at one point, but came from behind to win the scrimmage in the end. The comeback was a true testament to the fact that this team may be young and arguably behind some others experience wise, but just as strong

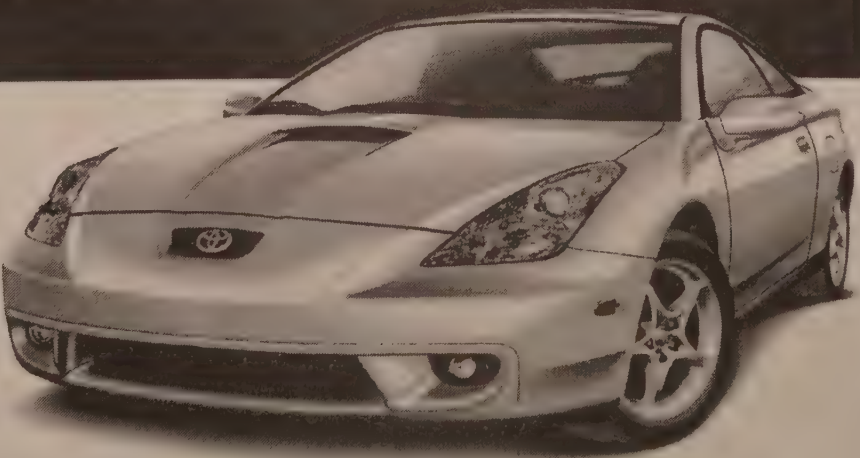
as talented as they can be, and can only improve with time. Saturday's season opener against the Princeton Tigers should be a very exciting match-up. Junior captain Adam Doneger affirmed that this was definitely a learning experience, and that they were able to grow as a team. That, along with providing game-time experience for younger players is the main goal of scrimmages. The Jays hope all will come together again in this weekend's opener. Other junior captain Bobby Benson had a solid game with three goals, as did freshman attackman Kyle Barrie who chipped in two more, along with four assists. Pete Leseuer, another freshman, also had a strong performance. The Blue Jays will play Princeton on Saturday at 1:00 pm. at Homewood Field.

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SPORTS

DO YOU KNOW?

U.S. Olympic skier Jeremy Bloom also stars as a wide receiver for the University of Colorado Buffaloes.

Track finishes sixth in tourney

BY JEFF KATZENSTEIN

THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

The Johns Hopkins Indoor Track team competed in the Centennial Conference Championships at Haverford College this past weekend, finishing with team bests and shattering many school and personal records. Unfortunately, injuries to some key Hopkins athletes prevented the team from a top three finish. The Jays, sporting new uniforms for the meet, ended up finishing in sixth place, just one point short of fifth and nine points short of third. Haverford handily defeated the rest of the field with 205.5 total points, compared with second-place Muhlenberg's 90.5 total points. Still, the Hopkins men's team finished with their most points ever and the women's team finished with their second-best team finish in years.

"I would like to give high praise to the entire team," commented Head Coach Bobby Van Allen, "Everyone focused well and peaked at the right time."

Junior Rajeev Mahajan continued

an impressive season and easily won his first conference high jump championship with a leap of 6'4-3/4", after having placed in the top three in previous Centennial Conference indoor and outdoor championship events. Mahajan was the only competitor at the meet to jump over 6 ft. After the jump, Mahajan decided to raise the bar to an NCAA qualifying 6'10", and narrowly missed on his third and final try. With a season best of 6'8", he will lead the team to the East Coast Athletic Championships this weekend.

Quinlan Amos, another junior, claimed the gold medal at 200m when he handily defeated a tough field in 22.78 seconds. Amos also claimed three school records over the two day meet when he finished second in the 55m dash with a time of 6.58 seconds and third in the long jump in 21'1-1/2", and anchored the 4 X 200m relay. Freshman Matt Campbell recorded a freshman best in the 400m of 52.30 for ninth place and contributed to two school-record setting relays. In the Distance Medley

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W. Lacrosse surprised by Vanderbilt

BY ERIC RIDGE

THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

Playing amid high expectations against an American Lacrosse Conference opponent at Homewood Field, the No. 14 ranked Women's Lacrosse team began its season in discouraging fashion on Sunday, losing to the unranked Vanderbilt Commodores, 7-4.

The game was supposed to provide a preview of the Blue Jays' talented and experienced lineup this season. Instead, Hopkins fell behind early and never appeared to find its rhythm.

"We never got our feet under us against Vanderbilt. We also never got our momentum going," said senior attacker Jamie Larrimore.

The scoring began just 39 seconds into the game, when Vanderbilt's Jeanine Crawley scored to give the Commodores an early 1-0 lead. Just two minutes later, Hopkins fell farther behind, when Jessica Roguski scored to boost the Vanderbilt lead to 2-0 just three minutes into the

Heidi Pearce's unassisted goal at 25:37, but Vanderbilt was not to be outdone. With just 10 minutes remaining in the first half, Crawley and Roguski both scored to increase the Vanderbilt lead to a commanding 4-1 margin. Just before half, however, Hopkins showed new signs of life as Pearce scored her second goal of the day to trim the lead to 4-2.

In the second half, Hopkins took charge early as Larrimore scored a free position goal at the 25:52 mark to cut the lead to one.

Following Larrimore's score, the two teams traded goals again, as Crawley scored her third goal of the day to move the Commodores ahead by a score of 5-3. But freshman attacker Leah Onda returned the favor for the Blue Jays as she scored off Larrimore's pass to help Hopkins pull to a 5-4 deficit.

The Hopkins rally gave new hope to fans that their team was on its way to a comeback and that they could ultimately win the game.

But Onda's goal was as close as the Jays would come to victory as the Commodores closed with three unanswered goals to win the game by a final score of 7-4.

As it was, the Blue Jays' opening loss came as a disappointment, considering the multitude of predictions of success and expectations levied on the team this year. Since 1999, which was the first year Hopkins women competed in Division I, the team has shown steady improvement from season to season. Preseason polls have placed Hopkins second in their conference behind Penn State with Vanderbilt

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Women's Lacrosse hopes to rebound this weekend versus North Carolina.

M. Fencing slices up Hunter, Army

BY DAVID GONEN

THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

Men's Fencing pulled off a sweep last weekend in their matches versus Army, Hunter and Bard. The only close match was against Army, which Hopkins won 14-13.

"I think the team pulled off a vital win against Army," commented sophomore epee Dave Kotlyar, "although we could have fenced with

season after a two year drought, and it now rests comfortably in their trophy case. And they are determined to keep it there.

"We should definitely be able to win the championship," said Kotlyar, "although it will be very hard, since Drew decided to start Div. I recruiting."

Recruiting is something the team is already concerned about for the years to come.

"Our recruiting class is also really, really good for next year, depending on who can get in. We need more support from the admissions office and administration to elevate this team to being the best Div. III team in the U.S.," said Kotlyar. "We can do it."

Last weekend was the final chance for the squad's many underclassmen to gain experience. Their strong performances bode well for the MACFA competition.

"We had excellent bouts from our freshmen sabreists," said Dave Kotlyar. "This weekend was good too since it gave our first-years experience with a variety of fencers, some not so talented and others highly talented."

Looking past this weekend MACFA tournament, NCAA competition awaits. Standout performers from the team have a chance of being selected to compete. "I think we should do exceptionally well in NCAAs this year — four people will definitely make it, in my opinion. Bishe, Bouloubasis, [Sarah] Walsh and [Joy] Wu...they are awesome."

game. The Blue Jays attempted to charge back with sophomore midfielder

Swimming wins big at Grove City

Men amass 804 points, women 761, as each takes first in tourney

BY ERIC RIDGE

THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

In their last competition before the NCAA Championships, both the Men's and Women's Swimming teams defeated 10 other schools in the Grove City Invitational last weekend to take first place. The men amassed 804 points while the women had 761, both en route to victory.

Now the Blue Jays will put their faith in those swimmers who have qualified for the NCAAs, as both the men's and women's teams attempt to earn a No. 1 ranking as the best swim team in Division III. The Hopkins win over the weekend served as an excellent tune-up in the team's quest for national champion status.

"Our team fared very well, meeting our expectations and some," said freshman Joe Chung. "The men's team victory came in part due to exceptional individual performances by some of the squad's most accomplished athletes. Loren Robinson was outstanding for the men's squad as he won three events. He won the 200m breaststroke in 2:08.22, the 200m individual medley in 1:57.17, and the 100m breaststroke in 58.46.



FILE PHOTO

Now the swimmers' hopes ride with those qualified for the NCAAs.

Kyle Robinson also turned in an outstanding performance, winning the 100m freestyle in 46.73 and the 200m freestyle in 1:42.89. Oliver Buccicone and Ben Herman each won one event each, with Buccicone capturing the 200m butterfly in 1:55.25 and Herman winning the 1650m

won their respective races. The 200m medley team, comprised of Jason Loverdi, Loren Robinson, and David Lofthus won its race in 1:35.93. The 400m medley relay team had similar success as it needed just 3:29.97 to win its race.

The team was comprised of Jeffrey Chu, Brandon Loftus, Paul Zalewski and Kyle Robinson. Hopkins won two free relays as well. The 400m relay team of Devin Stith, Loren Robinson, Justin Brannock, and Kyle Robinson took victory in 3:09.18. The 800m free team of Scott Armstrong, Dan Stillman, Brannock and Lorne Robinson captured the win in 7:02.54.

"There were some crazy fast swims from our team in events such as the 200m freestyle and the 100m backstroke," said Chung.

The women's team had similar success en route to its victory. In the individual races, several swimmers came through with clutch performances. Stephanie Harbeson was the leader of the pack, winning two events.

She beat her opponents in the 1650m freestyle with a time of 17:32.91, and in the 400m individual medley by recording a time of 4:39.83. Several of Harbeson's teammates managed to win one race each.

Melanie McLenithan won the 100m backstroke in 1:01.51, Diana Smirnova won the 200m freestyle in 1:58.50 and Megan Rudinsky won the

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W. B-ball earns bid to ECAC

BY ERIC RIDGE

THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

After an impressive season in which they compiled a record of 19-7 and just narrowly missed a Conference Championship playoff birth, the Women's Basketball team was selected as the fifth seed in the Division III ECAC Championship this week.

The Blue Jays played in the first round of the Championship against the fourth-seeded Franklin & Marshall Diplomats last night at 7 p.m. in a game that ended too late to be included in this edition of the News-Letter.

Against F&M during the year, the Blue Jays split the series 1-1. In January, F&M defeated Hopkins 71-70 in a closely-contested game with Diplomats player Lauren Howanski making a jumper with under three seconds left to win the game. Then, late in the season, the Blue Jays defeated the Diplomats by a score of 62-42.

If the Blue Jays are able to advance past F&M, they will face increasingly tough competition. Their next game would be against second-seeded Lebanon Valley.

Hopkins' selection to the ECAC Championship this year marked the team's first appearance in the tournament since the 1993-94 season when they lost to Moravian 85-76 in the first round.

This was a roller coaster year for the Blue Jays who saw their early success dissipate as the season progressed. During the beginning part of their season, the Blue Jays raced to a fast start, winning their first six games and 15 of their first 16 in the team's best start in school history.

However, they ended the season on a losing note, falling in four of their last six games, nearly all of which pitted the Blue Jays against Centennial Conference opponents.

But despite their slide at the end of the year, the Blue Jays still managed to give themselves a chance to compete in the post season.

After losing to Western Maryland

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As usual, our rocks of support, Bouloubasis and Bishe, ensured our victory.

—DAVE KOTLYAR

better concentration."

The Blue Jays fencers blew the other two teams out, beating each by more than 20 match points.

Hopkins got typically strong performances from their star fencers, freshman foilist Brian Bishe and sophomore epee Matt Bouloubasis.

"As usual, our rocks of support, Bouloubasis and Bishe, ensured our victory," said Kotlyar.

The team now looks ahead to the event they have been preparing for all season long: the MACFA Championship. They recaptured the trophy last



MIKE FISCHER/NEWS-LETTER

Men's Fencing looks to cut up some Conference competition this weekend for another MACFA championship.

The B Section

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Quote
of the Week

“Don’t be sorry.
It’s your first
time.”

—Robert Sirota, Director of
Peabody Institute of Music



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Been wanting to go out and see a movie lately but just haven't gotten the chance? Midterms for the week finally over? Come out Saturday evening to see *Monsters, Inc.* on the big screen in Shriver Hall. Only \$3! • B10-11

Davis absent from *Queen of the Damned* CD

Internet message boards heat up as Korn fans wonder why Jonathan Davis' voice is not heard on the album



COURTESY OF WARNER BROS.

Aaliyah, above with Stuart Townsend, is not on the soundtrack either.

BY NATALYA MINKOVSKY

THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

If you saw *Queen of the Damned* this weekend, you may have recognized Lestat's singing voice as that of Korn singer Jonathan Davis. It's difficult not to — Davis has one of the most distinctive voices in rock music. If you went out and bought the *Queen of the Damned* soundtrack, however, you didn't hear Davis at all, despite the fact that he wrote and produced, along with Richard Gibbs, five of the album's songs.

Davis, who also scored the film, does not appear on the soundtrack because, according to MTV News, his contract with Immortal — which is owned by Sony — prohibits him from appearing on a Warner Bros. soundtrack. Davis is heard in the Warner Bros. film and in the music videos that accompany it, but not on the soundtrack, a fact that is glossed over in the film's production information. “While Davis provides Lestat's vocals in the film,” the press packet reads, “the rock songs he co-wrote with Gibbs are performed on the soundtrack by a virtual who's-who of contemporary rock artists.” And a virtual who's-who it

is, with Marilyn Manson, Jay Gordon of Orgy, Wayne Static of Static-X, David Draiman of Disturbed and Chester Bennington of Linkin Park standing in for Davis.

But are Korn fans happy with the results? The film's Web site, <http://queenofthedamned.warnerbros.com> features message boards full of feedback. “Oh what I wouldn't give for them to release a ‘Vampire Lestat EP’ with Jonathan's vocals,” posts loreieixx. An even more excited fan, pennylaneishere, posts, “i thought i was going to crap my pants from joy. any korn fans go to see this movie? jon's voice was abviously meant for the songs, the soundtrack doesn't seem to work for me though. jon's voice is needed, thats all i got to say. AND WHY ISN'T THERE ANY INFO ON JON DAVIS ON THIS SITE OR ANYTHING ABOUT THE MUSIC!?!?”

Another fan even attempts an Internet petition of sorts, posting: “As many of you know, the ‘queen of the damned songs’ which were written by Jon are performed by various artists (wayne static, jay gordon, david draimman, etc,...) on the soundtrack cd.

however,...in the movie itself, they ARE sung by Jon!!!

we all need to email immortal records and let them know that we want the movie versions of the Queen of the Damned songs released,...for us, the fans. We need to let them know that without the consumer, they would have no business. And this is what we want. Dont think that your ONE email wont help in the matter, because each and every one matters and will put us one step closer to getting what we want. We need to let them know that this is something that will please BOTH the fan/consumer AND their business. If they think noone will buy this if it were to be released, they are sorely mistaken. PLEASE get as many people as you can to email them, the more the better!!! One thing to remember is to be nice when emailing them, dont at them!! Their address is: immortalrecords@hotmail.com

PLEASE help in this fight, email immortal today!!

also, cut and paste this entire message in each and every korn page/website you can find!! (if it hasnt been posted there already)

thanks, deadliner”

People like deadliner, pennylaneishere and loreieixx are in the majority on the message boards. Anyone who dares to post a negative response to Davis' vocal performance in *Queen of the Damned* is met with responses such as this one, f r o m pennylaneishere: “jons voice sounded kick ass. what the hell are you talking about. the soundtrack is what sounds weak. the songs were made for jons voice and noone elses.”

To be fair to the soundtrack, if you can get over the fact that Davis is not on it, or never cared if

he is or isn't, the album is not weak.

Having not seen *Queen of the Damned*, I enjoyed the soundtrack for what it is, a collection of songs, new and old, for death- and isolation-obsessed goth kids to enjoy. Unbiased goth/industrial/hard rock/nu metal fans are likely to enjoy the five new tracks, although most hard rock/nu metal fans probably already have a copy of the Deftones' “Change (In the House of Flies)” and Disturbed's “Down With the Sickness,” two of the previously released songs on the album. While the majority of the new tracks, Static's “Not Meant for Me, Draiman's “Foresaken,” and Bennington's “System,” sound like something off of a Korn album, in terms of both music and vocals, both Marilyn Manson and Orgy's Gordon put their stamps of distinction on Davis and Gibbs' songs.

Jorge Saralegui, a producer of who's been involved with Queen of the Damned since 1998, addresses frequently-asked questions on the Website. On the music: “We made three Lestat music videos. MTV may not play them, because the movie has an ‘R’ rating, but VH1 could. In addition, we intend to release them on the net. The videos are seen in part in

the movie. They will almost certainly be on the DVD. They will probably be shown at some point on the TV music channels. However, we hope to release them in other formats soon. The videos are of Lestat and his band, so no one else from the cast, including Aaliyah, is in them. In other words, they aren't *Queen of the Damned* videos (which could include Aaliyah); they are videos from the band “The Vampire Lestat” (aka “Satan's Night Out”). For those who care, they each have a classic horror-movie theme: *The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari*, Murnau's *Nosferatu* and Browning's *Dracula*.”

For fans who would have preferred to hear Davis on the soundtrack — “this movie is going to have to hold me over until the next korn album,” kandykorn007 posts — the wait is actually not too long. Korn's fifth album, *Untouchables*, is set for a May 14 release. The band's Website, <http://www.korn.com>, promises that the first single, “Here To Stay,” will be out “soon” and a Feb. 25 news release states that the video for “Here To Stay” is being directed by the Hughes Brothers (*From Hell*, *American Pimp*) this week in Los Angeles.



COURTESY OF WARNER BROS.

Queen of the Damned's vampire Lestat, voiced by Jonathan Davis, rocks out.

Smoky Mountains: You'll be coming 'round 'em soon

BY CHARBEL BARAKAT

THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

Imagine it. You've got a whole day with nothing to do. Outside, the weather is in the mid-70s, with the sun shining and the wind breezing. Could there be anything finer than whiling away the hours wandering through a national park? The answer is obvious, you no doubt suspect. There's just something about all those tall trees that makes them irresistible.

There I was visiting my beloved family in eastern Tennessee not so many weeks ago. Once I'd gotten over the shock that I actually have relatives in eastern Tennessee, it actually turned out to be a pretty fun place to visit. Not only were they situated in some of the most striking hill-country I've ever seen, my family's proximity to North Carolina proved highly valuable during late-night fireworks runs.

Only in the Carolinas can a man buy nearly a half-stick of dynamite at nearly any time of day without any sort of background check or not so much as even a frisk. God bless the land of Strom Thurmond and Jesse Helms. But, all fondness for dangerous explosives aside, I must get back to the lecture at hand.

Great Smoky Mountains National

Park, created in 1934, is located in the Blue Ridge Mountains and straddles the Tennessee, North Carolina border for 70 miles. The 500,000-acre park takes its name from the Cherokee people who called the area “shaconage,” or “Place of Blue Smoke.” As though that wasn't painfully obvious. This characteristic bluish mist, which clings to the mountainsides and fills the valleys, is certainly the park's most distinctive feature. More importantly, in the early morning hours, as the mist surrounds much of the park's hills, you can't help but notice an eerie beauty that envelopes the place.

A closer look, through the “smoke,” reveals a natural wonderland filled with wildflowers, wildlife and historic treasures. One of the ever-present park rangers (one looked so much like Ranger Smith that I half-expected Yogi Bear to come running out of the woods, pick-a-nick baskets in hand,) informed me that the mountains were home to more than 1,600 species of flowering plants - including 125 species of native trees - 200 species of birds, about 50 species of fish and 60 species of animals. Of course, the numbers hardly do it justice. The power of the natural setting just overwhelms you as you look around, noticing your-

self surrounded by overgrown greenery, with the sounds of innumerable creatures crackling like lightning. An awesome site it is.

Crazy history buffs like me touring Great Smoky Mountains National Park will enjoy Cades Cove, where they can experience the sites and sounds of the park's frontier ancestry. After an Indian treaty transferred Cades Cove to the state of Tennessee in 1819, settlers began moving into the area.

Land was cleared. Homes, churches, and businesses were built. Farms were established and were self-sufficient, growing corn, wheat, oats and rye. You find yourself realizing just how much can actually be accomplished without television around to distract you. Still, neat as the scene was, I'll take good old '90s laziness any day. In any case though, it made for a fine story.

Apples, peaches, beans, peas and potatoes were supplemented with wild greens and berries growing in the area. Cattle grazed the grassy areas of the Cove, while white-tailed deer, bear and wild turkey (the animal, not the hooch) roamed the nearby woods.

By 1850, the population of Cades Cove peaked at 685 (it says so on the town sign), but the soil had been spent

and families began moving to the newly-opened West. Many of the homesteads and churches established by these pioneers remain in the Cove today. Definitely a high point of my visit, I recommend it strongly. Although the locals dressed in period garb had an odd tendency to fall into mangled British accents, as though we weren't in eastern Tennessee, but eastern Manchester. Call it the “I, Claudius” mentality that all things historical must be British. Nothing's perfect, old chap.

Today, visitors to Great Smoky Mountains National Park can experience the beauty and history of the area in numerous ways. I decided to hike my way through as much of the park as I could, and the nearly 800 miles of hiking and horseback riding trails that criss-cross the park provided more than enough entertainment. Driving tours are available for those with less time on their hands, but they seem an odd waste. The TV-like feel of nature viewed through a car window somehow dampens the beauty of the surroundings. Park your car, put on some comfortable shoes, and hoof it, bub. It'll be good for you.

Following a visit to the great outdoors, the nearby town of Pigeon Forge, Tenn, provides more man-

made diversions. The town is Las Vegas, country-style. That is, all the lights without the gambling and showgirls. Dozens of movie and comedy theaters pervade the town, as well as numerous upscale and budget lodging options. For those who can't suppress the old American consumer spirit, more than 200 outlet and specialty stores are more than happy to oblige. An excellent contrast to Great

Smoky's natural magnificence, Pigeon Forge deserves a visit. Look it up.

I think you get the picture. Fresh air, foliage abound, pesky park rangers everywhere you look; well, two out of three ain't bad. Nature lovers, take heed. Great Smoky Mountains National Park definitely merits a trip or two. Do yourself a favor: Leave the TV at home.



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Great Smoky Mountains National Park will have you lovin' nature.

EXECUTIVE BOARD CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

PRESIDENT

Chris Cunico

"May I kick a little something for the G's..." In order to be a successful Student Council president, not only does one have to look good in a suit and have a firm handshake, but one must also successfully represent the student body. Student Council officers work hard to advance the interests of undergraduates, creating a more cultural, social, and enjoyable campus community. We accomplish these goals by funding student groups, fighting for better academic policies, and vocalizing the needs of the students to the administration. Allow me to demonstrate my skills. As chair as of the Academic Affairs Committee, I helped develop a program for students to eat with their professors for free, and have secured subsidized MARC tickets for internships. As a class representative I have planned numerous social events and have supported new academic policy such as an African-American studies major and an arts program. My experience speaks for itself, so go take your favorite professor out to dinner; it's on the school. Talk to me, my personality will speak for itself. I will listen, and work hard to make Hopkins better. Be sure to vote on March 4th. Peace. "Lodi dodi, we likes to party."



people to run things like Spring Fair, and to serve on committees such as Ethics Board. Now that you are familiar w/ COLA, let me give you my track record. I have been a CLASS REPRESENTATIVE for the Class of 2003 for the past three YEARS. During this time, I have served as one of the COLA members and have worked with my class in planning events. So, as you can see, I am qualified for the job, and I bring to the table a ton of experience. Yet, as we all know, there is always room for improvement. Therefore, some of the things I hope to accomplish as VPA include increasing COLA applications through more publicity and info sessions. I would also like to ensure that COLA members are more knowledgeable about the positions they choose students for. In addition, I hope to expand the role of VPA to deal with issues like working more closely with the Career Center. So remember, VOTE PRITI for VPA.



Ankush Gupta

Hey, my name is Ankush Gupta and I'm a sophomore running for Vice President of Administration. I recognize that the VPA's job is an extensive one ranging from chairing the Committee on Committees and selecting the chairs of Student Council appointed committees or projects. The success of events like the MSE Symposium and Spring Fair is very much at the hands of the VPA and I would love to help make these events successful. I feel that the most important character trait necessary to succeed at this position is people skills. MSE and Spring Fair are not easy to produce. It takes the efforts of many to put such events together and I believe that I have the skills required. As a member of the ethics board, I worked with the organization in honoring the school's ethical codes, which many times requires the input of others. Also, as a sophomore TA, I have learned how to better interact with fellow students in solving academic problems. I hope that these experiences will help me to join the prestigious student council in making all of our endeavors very successful. Thank you.



what's going on. It can be quite disappointing if you miss a party that you didn't know about or an academic meeting that you would have wanted to attend. Everyone's been there at some point, so why don't we change that?

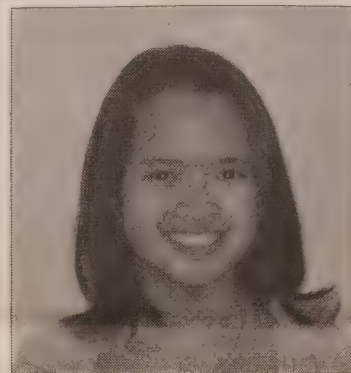
Why James for executive secretary? Vote James because I will make sure that everyone has something to do every night. The primary job of an executive secretary is to inform students of all major events on campus like the weekly calendar of events emails you must have all seen. But I for one feel that this is not enough information, so let's do something about it.

WhatsUP@jhu.edu: If elected secretary I propose to start an email address named *WhatsUP@jhu.edu* so that you can email me any time, any place, and ask me what's going on. From an information session about an activity to a concert at the 9:30 Club in Washington DC, I will give you a head's up on everything. Just email me asking if there are any intramural activities this week for instance, and I promise to respond to all emails with plenty of time for you to get ready and go out. This, indeed, will redefine the role of executive secretary by giving every student the chance to attend each and every event they would have otherwise not have known about.

Let's do this. Vote James.

Jackie Chan

The Johns Hopkins Film Festival. HabiJam. *The Vagina Monologues*. *Two for the Tango*. Ben Stein. Women and Gender Studies Lunches. Buttered Niblets show. Chinese New Year Celebration. Princeton vs. JHU game. SASH show. The Dance Company and Ladybirds concert. The PAC show. Weekend rock climbing trips. A lot of awesome events happen at Hopkins every weekend, but many students have no idea that they are going on. A big problem at Hopkins is the lack of communication among student organizations and the student body. As secretary of Student Council, I plan to create means of communication through newsletters, emails, meetings amongst organizations and widely distributed calendars of monthly events. Moreover, I'd like to develop the Student Council webpage, to allow groups to publicize events to the entire student body and for students to learn about these events through an interactive calendar. Utilizing these options, students and groups can create a forum in which you could give your input into what events you want at Hopkins. College is about what you want it to be and what you want to experience. Through creating a means for students to get their voices heard, I think that students will be able to get the most of their experience here. Other than communication within the school, the secretary also keeps the Student Council organized with accurate and concise notes and attendance and dealing with the paperwork. I am an organized and responsible individual, coming from experience of being on Student Council this year as a class representative and class president in high school for three years. All of this experience gives me the knowledge of how to be both a leader and a participator in Student Council.



Manish Gala

My name is Manish Gala and I'm running for executive president. For the past two years, I have had the privilege to serve as Student Body Secretary and Chair of the Communications Committee for Student Council. Thank you for that opportunity. During my tenure, I made it a primary focus to



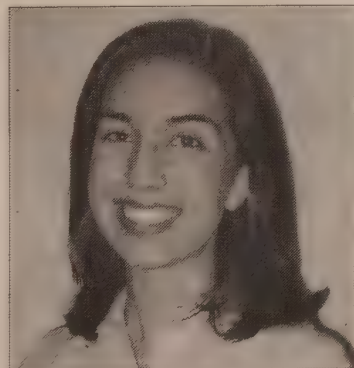
keep students informed and relay their concerns to the administration. For example, I institutionalized the weekly Calendar of Events mass e-mails to inform all students of campus activities. Recently, I succeeded in opening up the back gym of the old AC, a large concern expressed by many students. As president, I hope to continue what I started as secretary, and address the larger issues such as social programming and academic fairness on campus. Clearly, we need better funding to provide quality entertainment on campus. One solution is to charge a small activities fee. For example, \$20 per person per semester translates into \$160,000 for social programming on campus. To combat inequalities caused by exam recycling, I hope to expand the reserve system.

Unfortunately, I can't write all my ideas in 200 words. If I don't see you during the campaign, please visit <http://jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu/~mkg3>.

Audrey Henderson

I'm Audrey Henderson and I'm running for Student Council President. I am a junior majoring in International Studies. Over the past year, I had the privilege of serving as Co-Chair of the 2001 MSE Symposium. We brought Ben Stein, Bob Woodward and other speakers to campus last semester. I am currently serving on the Commission for Undergraduate Education and I have working relationships with many university administrators. I know that it takes hard work to get things done, but most importantly, it takes someone who will listen to what students really want.

As Student Council President, I will work to allocate more funding to student groups so that we can bring bigger bands, better speakers, and higher quality events to campus. I will strive to bring a fast food restaurant to campus so that we have more dining options for students on and off the meal plan. I will also work to improve faculty advising so that we have advisors who genuinely know us. I intend to improve off-campus security so that we are safe when we walk in Charles Village. As Student Council President, my agenda will be your concerns and your ideas. I urge you to vote for Audrey Henderson on March 4.



VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADMINISTRATION

Priti Dalal

Hey all, my name is PRITIDALAL and I'm running for VPA. As VPA I will be the head of the Committee on Leadership Appointments, a.k.a. COLA. As many of you know, COLA appoints

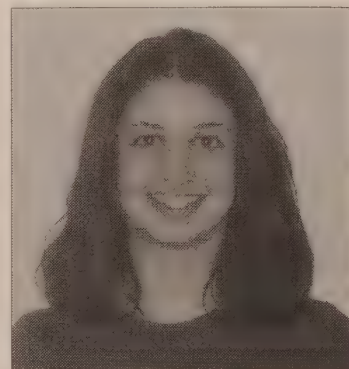
TREASURER

Elise Roecker

You deserve more. You deserve more money for bigger concerts and better speakers. You deserve more money for student groups. You deserve to know how to start a student group and get University funding. You deserve to know how to get more funding for your current groups. You deserve a Treasurer who listens to what you want, and then works to make it happen.

You deserve someone who has experience as the Assistant Treasurer and Student Activities Commission Performing Arts Liaison. Someone who is involved in groups and understands their needs. You deserve an effective leader. You know me from just about every Barnstormer production in the last three years. I produced last semester's *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* and did publicity for last year's *Tommy*. You deserve someone who fights for what students demand. Last year, I worked hard with others to save the Women's Studies Program and co-started the petition that over 1,000 people signed. The Program not only survived but is growing stronger. You deserve someone who is not afraid to take risks and push the envelope. In *The Vagina Monologues*, I was the one who moaned.

You deserve more. Let me give it to you.



SECRETARY

James Cakmak

So what's going on tonight? This is definitely the question that comes up all the time for us here at Hopkins, especially on those Friday and Saturday nights. Lots of people say that Hopkins is not as social as other schools, but that's just because not everyone knows



Ivan Putziger

Hi, my name is Ivan Putziger and I would like to be the Executive Secretary for our school. I have held various leadership positions at Hopkins including appointment to the chair of the Registrar Advisory Board and active involvement with HSA. Through these committees, I have worked with the telecommunications department to obtain a better student cellular phone plan and to institute wireless Internet connection capabilities throughout our campus. Although I found the responsibilities that accompany these roles to be very demanding, I have also found them to be exciting, challenging and rewarding. Seeing these goals accomplished brings me a feeling of great satisfaction and an urge to begin new endeavors. I know that being the school secretary would require a larger commitment of time and energy than any of my other previous positions have, but I look forward to meeting these expectations with the same enthusiasm and philosophy that I have always abided by. The most important objective is to get the job done right.

On March 4th, vote Ivan Putziger for Executive Secretary.



VICE PRESIDENT FOR INSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS

There are currently no candidates for this position.

FEATURES

Purim stems from conflict between Jews and Haman

In an ancient kingdom, many years ago, the holiday Purim came from the day the Jews prevented their destruction by a king’s vizier

BY MAANY PEYVAN
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

Almost immediately after I meet someone, the question pops up. Something about the face or the hair always leads people ask, “Are you Jewish?” And the same response always follows, that no, I’m not Jewish, I’m Persian. No matter how much I look like Adrien Brody from Liberty Heights; nevermind if you thought you met me at a friend’s bar mitzvah, I don’t eat at the Kosher Korner. Funny then that my assignment revolves around the festive Jewish holiday of Purim.

Being told that Purim rivaled Chanukah in importance, I became immediately confused. In my lifetime, I had never heard of Purim and all of a sudden I was getting e-mails and seeing flyers for the Hopkins Purim Party. I decided to take a trip to the Wilson house to visit resident freshman Jewish scholar Ariel Lyons-Warren.

ren.

News-Letter: “Hey Ariel, I’m writing an article about Purim and I need the lowdown.”

Ariel Lyons-Warren: “Well, it’s pronounced pure-im first of all. You’re Persian right?”

N-L: “Yup. Well it’s all about how we kicked your butts.”

N-L: “Oh. Neat.”

ALW: “Yes well, it all started in an ancient kingdom a long time ago. You see, King Ahasuerus, in his third of year of reign, sat down to a royal feast. During this feast he became so inebriated that he order his queen, Vashti, to appear before him and his royal officials in the nude.”

N-L: “Nice.”

ALW: “Of course Vashti refused to appear. Who would want to appear naked before a bunch of loud drunken men?”

N-L: “Uh.”

ALW: “Right, nobody. So King

Ahasuerus had Vashti killed for her disobedience. Well you can’t have a kingdom without a queen, so Ahasuerus initiated a contest

Now some say that he took each one of the girls into his harem and slept with them to see who he liked best, but the kid’s version says he just picked the prettiest one.

FRESHMAN ARIEL LYONS-WARREN

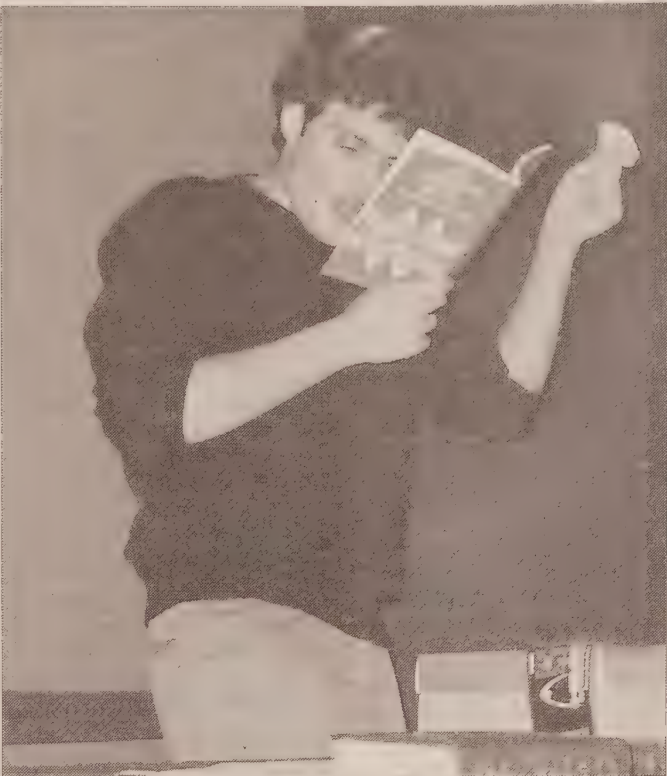
throughout his kingdom. He had all the eligible girls in the kingdom line up so he could decide who his new queen would be. Now some say that he took each one of the girls into his harem and slept with them to see who he liked best, but the kid’s version says he just picked the prettiest one.”

N-L: “Dude, King Aloysius gets around.”

ALW: “Ahasuerus. So anyway, one of those girls was Esther, a Jew. After her parents death, she had been raised by her uncle Mordechai.”

N-L: “Like the falcon in *The Royal Tennenbaums*.”

ALW: “Right. Mordechai told Esther not to tell Ahasuerus she was Jewish because he was unsure of his stance on Judaism at the time. Esther, who was so wise and so beautiful was then chosen as the new queen. Now Ahasuerus had an evil advisor named Haman, who was so vain that he ordered all citizens to bow before him.



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During Purim, the Megillah is read, recounting the tale of Esther’s bravery in saving the Jews from slaughter.

Mordechai, who took petitions at the city gates refused to bow because Jews are to bow only before God. Haman was so angered by this that he wanted to kill all the Jewish people in Persia. He casts lots to determine the day of the annihilation, and that’s why it’s called Purim. Purim is Hebrew for lots.”

N-L: “What does drawing lots mean?”

ALW: “I have no idea. So anyway, Haman went to Ahasuerus and slandered the Jews and convinced him to slaughter them. The king was sort of an idiot. Mordechai heard about the plan and told Esther that she was the only hope for the Jewish people. Esther invited her king to a royal feast

and planned to unveil Haman’s evil plot. Oh, by the way, that night, the King discovered that Mordechai had saved him from an assassination plot of two servants. When Haman appeared in the court, the King decided that his trusted servant should decide Mordechai’s compensation. Haman, intending to obtain the King’s permission to execute Mordechai, unwittingly answered the King’s questions.

Haman, believing that Ahashverosh intended to reward him, replied that the honoree should be dressed in royal clothing, ride upon a royal horse and be led through the city streets by an official proclaiming. So the King did sort of like



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Students spin a gragger to drown out the name of the wicked Haman.

Fine dining restaurant has extensive seafood selection

BY LINDSAY SAXE
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

As a typical student’s years at Hopkins pass, it will probably seem like the places to entertain and be entertained decrease marginally (yet ever so distinctly) in the same fashion as their cumulative GPA points. Parents’ and friends’ visits gradually require more effort and planning, more research and asking around. No longer will an a cappella concert or a football game do to pass the afternoon or the time between coming and going. There’s one place I take my parents without fail, every time they come to visit — McCormick and Shmick’s — located downtown in the Pier 5 hotel. The food is always delicious, with a seafood selection that would make even the home-grown, Eastern seaboard native proud. Besides, what other restaurant around here boasts oysters “from both coasts?”

I’ll start off with the inner decor. It’s a nice restaurant, with a view of the inner harbor, mahogany paneling, white tablecloths and windows within view of almost every table. There’s an outdoor, enclosed patio for seating in the late spring and summer, so it’s got the atmosphere of a posh restaurant on the water. The help is friendly, but sometimes the wait for a table can be tedious — even when you’ve got reservations. Oh, and a reminder: be sure to make reservations. McCormick’s is a hot spot on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, so calling ahead will guarantee you a table.

Now, on to the food. A personal favorite of my family is the crab dip. Generally made of crab, artichokes and a cream base, it’s the best appetizer to start out with. It’s served with bread chips sprinkled with cheddar cheese and is enough to whet the appetites of four people. The house salad is also a few notches above your typical restaurant fare, and includes mixed greens, various vegetables and sunflower seeds topped with a light vinaigrette.

One aspect that I thoroughly appreciate is that they bring you a bas-

ket of bread to tide you over as you wait for your food. Though some critics would argue that merely this serves as a filler and takes away appetite that should be reserved for the finer flavors of the main course, I think res-

The tenderly cooked salmon is stuffed with a mixture of blue crab meat and seasonings, and served with garlic mashed potatoes and a vegetable.

taurants that serve this staple know what people truly want — to eat. Yes of course, they want the Yellow Fin Ahi and the filet mignon, but they’re also hungry. Everyone knows that one of the most annoying things is to be sitting in a restaurant, on the verge of passing out as you wait for your appetizers or main courses. Also, I find the basket-o-bread helps prevent stumbling drunkenness brought on by pre-dinner Jonnie Walkers or Manhattans consumed on an empty

stomach.

The main course selection is by far the best I’ve seen in Baltimore. The menu is reprinted everyday with the fresh catch selections for the day, and the chef’s expert creations. My favorite dish was a combination of halibut with lemon butter, green beans and potatoes. However, my friend the “Hippoglossus hippoglossus” is a fairly seasonal catch, so it’s not always on the menu. My dad loves to eat (as well as recommend to all who go with us) the stuffed salmon. This dish has been on the menu every time I’ve been to McCormick’s, and it’s probably the best thing to try if it’s your first time there. The tenderly cooked salmon is stuffed with a mixture of blue crab meat and seasonings, and served with garlic mashed potatoes and a vegetable. Last time I was at McCormick’s I had the Mahi Mahi, which was served with a light, sweet sauce drizzled on top, and the same sides as the salmon. I have to admit, however, that I wasn’t a big fan of the Mahi Mahi. Maybe it was the fish, or the lack of flair in the dish itself, but I wouldn’t recommend it to anyone. It’s got a cool name, but it’s nowhere near as good as the Atlantic Halibut.

Overall, McCormick’s offers a pleasing, fine dining experience. It’s rather pricey, so take with you your parents or a date you want to impress the next time you go.

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BY MICHELLE FIKS
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

Spring break is the wee- long period that every collegiate drools about. Luckily for us at Hopkins, this magical week will soon be upon us. While there is always the select group of students that can’t exactly remember this time, but can “vaguely” recall that it was lots of fun, this week promises to provide adventure and a desperately needed respite from work for the Hopkins student body.

The prototypical way to spend this sweet, short week is with friends, basking in the rays of Cancun (any other paradise-esque locale will suffice) in the afternoon and clubbing at night. This week-without-worries can drain students of approximately \$700. With the economy in a recession, students may feel that they must stay at home in order to keep their wallets in check.

Spring break at home?!? Well yes, that actually can be a viable alternative. Grab some friends who are in a similar economic situation and convince them that coming home with you will be loads cheaper than flying to wherever they’re from. Adding that they won’t have to spend time at their own home may exponentially increase their desire to spend spring break with you and your loved ones. As a substantial chunk of the Hopkins population hails from the wonderful city of New York, consider asking your friends if you could go home

with them. This is a unique opportunity to travel to Manhattan and avoid the hefty hotel fees. On top of that, you get a cool tour guide.

Your parents may at first object to opening up their home to several college students for the week, but remind them of the money that you (read: they) can save. Continue to bombard them with phrases such as, “At least you’ll be able to keep an eye on me; wouldn’t all of the mothers whose kids go on MTV’s Spring Break love to be in your shoes?” and, “This is my only week off this semester and I do want to see my family for part of it, that’s why I want to come home.” Their hearts will positively melt and they will spontaneously open the door to the house.

While home, mom and dad will probably not bother you about doing your chores and your younger siblings will be on their best behavior. After all, there’s company in the house. That will definitely stave off a great deal of embarrassment. Going home may seem like a punishment, but you can’t forget that you’re going with a group of your closest buddies. If these people can help make your life at Hopkins more interesting, then surely they can live up your home town.

Hold a slumber party one night in the family room when the rest of the house is asleep. It’s the perfect way to become closer to your friends and can provide a slew of inside jokes and legendary stories down the road. You can visit your local town (or city) the

Mordechai.”

N-L: “Yeh, he seems like an alright guy. What did Esther do in the meantime?”

ALW: “After fasting to remain pure, Esther told the king about Haman’s zany deeds during a great feast and revealed that she was a Jewess. Ahasuerus became furious and ordered Haman’s death, but had already decreed the death of the Jews.”

N-L: “So he overturned it?”

ALW: “Well, you can’t overturn the word of a king because it is law, but the king did decree that the Jews were allowed to fight back. During two days of battle, the Jews womped you Persians and were saved from being totally decimated. So ever since then, the day before Purim we fast, and follow that with two days of dancing, feasting and getting smashed.”

N-L: “Really?”

ALW: “Well, one of the traditions is that you get so drunk that you can’t tell the difference between Mordechai and Haman. But I think the thing over in E-Level is dry.”

N-L: “Bummer. So what does go on at E-Level?”

ALW: “Well, it’s tradition that we wear costumes, dressed up as Esther, Haman, Ahasuerus or Mordechai and spin graggers, or noisemakers, whenever Haman’s name is mentioned. We also eat the traditional Hamantaschen named after Haman’s tri-corner hat.

We also read the Megillah, a scroll on which the story of Esther is written. You want to hear me read my part?”

N-L: “Sure.”

ALW: “(Five minutes of Hebrew singing...)”

N-L: “Sounds like you’re all set.”

ALW: “I actually made a lot of mistakes, I should try again.”

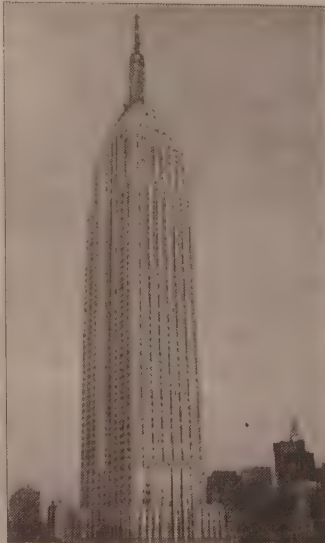
N-L: “Uh, I’ve got to run. Thanks for your help.”

Now it’s time for me to celebrate the Persian custom of eating kabob and studying to be a doctor.

next day. It will look completely different through the eyes of your friends. Attend a sports game and work out at a gym. Take pictures to remember this time.

Another alternative to an awesome spring break is taking advantage of the fact that not all colleges have Spring Break at the same time. You can arrange to visit some friends at their college. This solution is particularly useful because it solves several problems with one shot. Not only will you save on money, but you will also get to spend Spring break with old friends whom you have not seen in a while (and probably won’t see for some time, given that this is our only time off until the summer). You can meet their new friends, party, see a new city and just enjoy that feeling of being in a college environment without having to go to classes. Buy a postcard to hang in your dorm room!

Spring Break on a shoestring is not something to cringe at. Staying close to the hearth, or the hearth of your friends, can be a fun way to spend time off. Essentially, the only difference between Cancun and home is 20 degrees, unless you happen live in Miami, in which case the only problem that you have is fending off the friends who want to visit you during Spring break. Just remember that summer will come sooner than you think!



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See what New York has to offer on a shoestring budget.

FEATURES

What to do when the roomie's having sex

BY ANNA LEIST
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

This is the story of the sexiled — those poor, lonely students cast away from the comforts of their room for a short time, maybe a night, maybe even longer, so that their roommates might enjoy, shall we say, a short study break. Yes, it happens to most of us at some point during our college years when we are either the victim or the perpetrator in the act of sexiling.

In case you've been living in a bubble during your time at school, to sexile is the act of kicking out one's roommate so as to privately engage in intimate acts with another. Some roommates are accommodating to this, others are not. Some roommates will create secrete warnings not to enter, while others will learn by mistake. Some roommates will be respectful of being sexiled, while others will do all in their power to embarrass the hell out of their roommate. Still some will find a productive use of their time of sexile, while others will lugubriously mope about wondering why they themselves are not quite so lucky.

To begin with, roommates will often develop systems of communication to prevent any unexpected and embarrassing confrontations. If they hadn't discussed plans beforehand, out of a number of students I spoke with, the most popular signal used to warn roommates against entering a room is simply some kind of prop, sign or message written on the door. Props used included Mardis Gras beads, socks and hotel door-knob signs warning "Do not disturb!" Of course there were also secret messages written on dry erase boards and possibly the most blatant signal, a bolted door. Well, I guess there's also the auditory signal as well: if you hear anything suspect, enter at your own risk.

You might laugh at such silly communications between roommates. But one need only think of all those embarrassing situations in which no such system existed, to see its necessity. There is the story of the roommate who woke up one morning only to glance across the room and realize that in his drunkenness the night before he had gone to his room without noticing that his roommate already had a girl in there with him. Then there is the humiliating story of a dorm mate of mine.

Her roommate's boyfriend was visiting for the weekend, so she slept elsewhere. One morning though, she needed her toothbrush, so she knocked for a bit, unlocked the door, and entered. To her surprise she witnessed the unclad boyfriend crawling out of bed, suddenly turning to her to whisper, "Bad idea..." After that she

wasn't so anxious to find that toothbrush of hers.

One girl warned her roommate to no avail. She explains, "I left a note on the door saying: 'Enter at your own discretion.'" And she did. My boyfriend barely got under cover while I simply hid behind him. She didn't notice that she had interrupted, must have thought we were just staying in bed for kicks. She proceeded to sit at her computer and talk on IM."

The story to top all others is a lesson in being careful who you sexile. A Hopkins student had a girl over one night. The girl left for the restroom, only to return discovering the door had locked on her way out and her date had passed out in the meantime. So in effect, the young man had sexiled both his roommate and his date.

So what does one do when sexiled? Surprisingly, time does not have to be occupied by bitter whining over having lost one's room and not getting any sex oneself. Believe it or not, there are many uses of sexiled time! Go someplace in Baltimore you've never been, go shopping, go clubbing, go to parties, or just hang out with friends. Some, in the true Hopkins spirit, will productively bury themselves in D-level under a stack of books.

For those who are not so academically inclined on the weekends, a freshman male offers an alternate plan: "When my roommate sexiled me, I just found another girl and went home with her." If this does not happen though, you might confront the problem of where to sleep. One student admits to having spent a night curled up on a ledge in an AMR I bathroom. However, if you find the thought of waking up sore and hung-over in a smelly bathroom less than inviting, there is the alternate possibility of having a sleep-out in a friend's room. In the Wood house of AMR I, which I lovingly call my home, we like to call this rotating beds; oddly, it seems to happen quite often.

Obviously, there's a whole milieu of activities one might do when sexiled. Of course, there will always be those roommates who get a kick out of going into the room anyway, bringing friends, turning on the lights, and inviting everyone to sit down on the bed to look at family photo albums, despite the fact that two very embarrassed people are hidden underneath the sheets.

But that's another story. What I mean to say is that being sexiled doesn't have to carry with it a negative connotation. If you are ever sexiled, be proud of your roommate for being so lucky, and go on to have a little bit of fun yourself, whatever that may entail.

The best movies were born in the '80s

BY MEGAN WAITKOFF
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

We all have our own opinions as to the best movies that have ever been produced. There are tons of charts and lists of the movies that have been polled to be the classics of all audiences, and the movies that have grossed the most in the theater. I, however, do not base my eight best movies on these charts, because then I would have to include *Titanic*, which is possibly the worst movie I have ever seen in my life. Call me crazy, or call me uneducated on the criteria of an outstanding, unforgettable movie, but I'm sure all of you will agree with me on at least one of my choices. If not, well, I think you should seriously reconsider. Here goes, in no particular order, simply because my favorite depends on what mood I'm in:

1. *Say Anything*. If you haven't seen it, drop whatever you're doing right now and rent it, I don't care if you have a midterm tomorrow. *Say Anything* has been compared to *Pretty in Pink* and *Breakfast Club* for far too long. A supersweet, not so well known high school grad (a studly John Cusack) asks out the valedictorian, and the two grow and experience "things" for the first time together. Sounds like a typical formula for a movie, but the clothes are fabulous, the actors are hilarious (especially the girl who tries to get over her ex by writing songs about him for her guitar), and it made Peter Gabriel's "In Your Eyes"

were just macho guy "kill everyone" flicks. My brother refused to let me have this opinion and set aside an entire afternoon/evening to make me watch them. I haven't been the same since. You get hooked on the first within the first 15 minutes, and then you have no choice but to watch the next two immediately afterward. I would explain the premise of this Italian Stallion filled trilogy, but if you don't know it already, then I truly feel for you. You must be un-American.

4. *When Harry Met Sally*. There hasn't as hilarious a duo as Meg Ryan and Billy Crystal since, and I think it's safe to say that there never will be. This is undeniably the classic romance-comedy. The scene of Meg Ryan faking an orgasm at the restaurant is one that will be remembered by all. This movie will never get old. You could watch it again and again — I know I've probably seen it over 20 times, at least. In fact, I think I'll go watch it right now.

5. *American Beauty*. Kevin Spacey is one of my favorite actors, and his role in this movie is his best. Even though this movie is a little extreme — we all have messed up families, but they're really not that messed up — there is definitely something for all of us to relate to. The overall message is that life is beautiful, and that no matter what crappy hand you're dealt, your time on this planet is precious. And we all have to give kudos to a producer who can not only include a 40 year old guy going for a 16 year old, but also the same guy jerking off in more than one scene.



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Hours of Italian stallions in the mafia? Oh yeah.

That's got to take guts. "You rule!"

6. *Forrest Gump*. Some people say that this is one of the stupidest movies they've ever seen, but I think they just don't have the maturity to appreciate it. You fall in love with the main character (played by Tom Hanks) from the start, and spend the rest of the movie hoping that somehow his precious Jenny will wake up and fall in love with him

too. The movie is set in a time that will be remembered throughout all of American history, leading up to, including, and following the Vietnam War. You grow to love all of the characters, including the unforgiving Lieutenant Dan.

7. *The Star Wars Trilogy*. What would Thanksgiving be without it? I must emphasize that this does not

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include the most recent addition to the Star Wars series. I personally think that Episode I paled in comparison, and was almost an insult to the timeless classics. These movies have everything you could possibly want-romance, sci-fi, action, drama (I am your father), Harrison Ford, and a horribly disgusting yet endearing human-size dog-type creature named Chewbacca. It doesn't get any better than that.

8. *Mallrats*. A movie during which the majority of two hours actually takes place in a mall. Jay and Silent Bob. Shannon Doherty, Claire Forlani and Jeremy London. This is a masterpiece of director Kevin Smith, and in my opinion, it is his best. You just can't top a smartass like Brody, don't you agree?



LIZ STEINBERG/NEWS-LETTER
These movies are a must-have for everyone's personal film collection.

Such a simple movie, and yet there's undeniably something about it.

Say Anything has been compared to *Pretty in Pink* and *Breakfast Club* for far too long.

the pinnacle song of romance. Need I say more?

2. *Fried Green Tomatoes*. The first time I saw this movie, I cried after the opening 20 minutes or so, and then I just kept on crying. It's a movie that's set in the south and told by a woman (Jessica Tandy) in a nursing home who recounts life in a small town called Whistlestop during the mid-1900s. It's a captivating story dealing with racial prejudice, domestic disturbance, southern culture, best friends and murder. With the all-star cast giving unparalleled performances, it's a must see.

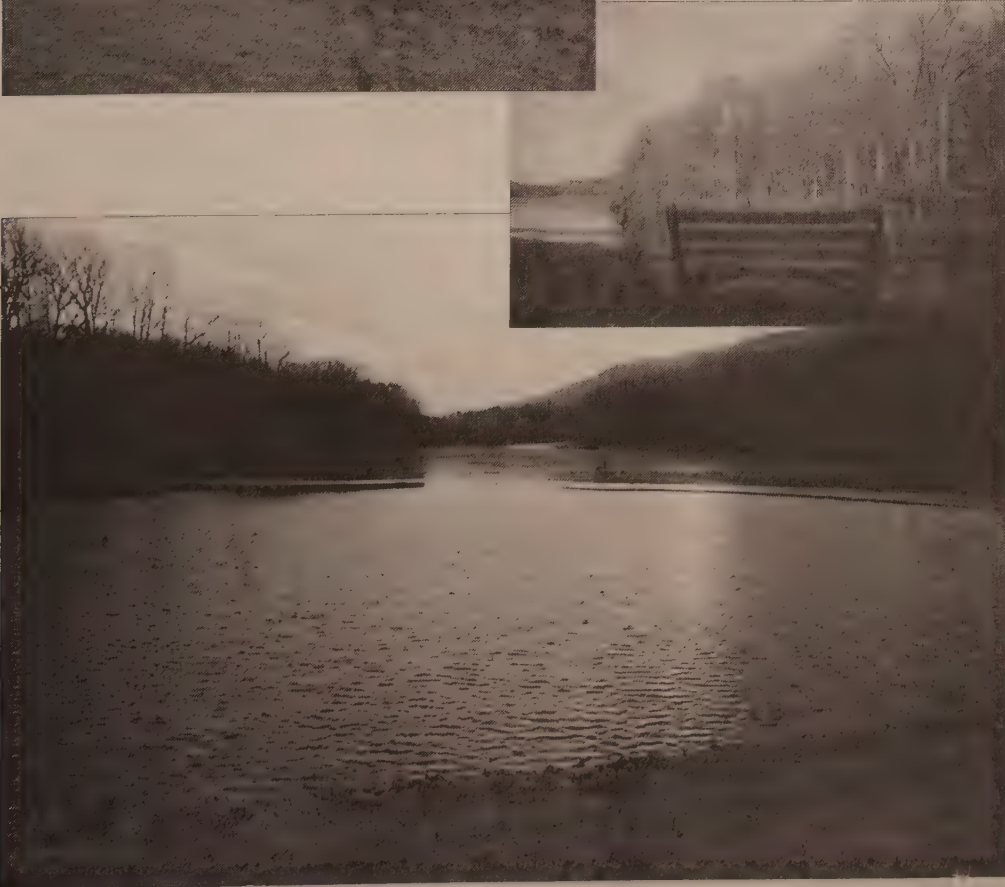
3. *The Godfather Trilogy*. What would be a list of the best movies of all time without it? These movies will be revered for all of time. For the longest time, I assumed that they

The calm after the storm in W. Va.



—A photo essay by Raphael Schweber-Koren.

"I was out on this lake in West Virginia to relax after last semester. Cold hands, wispy breath and a calm serenity permeated the landscape. I sat the bench in for a while and read a book, the ice on the lake reflected in the mountain sun, and the calm of ripples moving with the reeds helped me find some solace after a year of upheaval."



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Sports go extreme in Md.

Try paintball or outdoor climbing for more challenging play

BY STEVEN ZAMPIERI
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

This article is for those of you who are daring enough to spend less than four hours in the library per week. It is about extreme sports. More specifically, it is about rock climbing and playing paintball. And yes, you can find such activities in the area and for a relatively low price.

So I will begin with the closest and cheapest option for those of you who feel like doing something extreme. The new Recreation Center boasts a 30-ft climbing wall. Yes, it's bigger than the one that Loyola has. Another advantage of this wall is that you don't need any prior experience to use it. Staff members are there to supervise climbers between from 12-2 p.m. and after an extended lunch, from 6-10 p.m. on weekdays and on weekends from 1-5 p.m.

Students are free to use the wall during these hours, even if the heaviest thing lifted in the past six months was your orgo book. All that one must do is attend a simple one-hour course between 4 and 6 p.m. on any Monday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday (sign up for the course at the wall or by sending an email to jhuclimbing@hotmail.com).

If you're feeling more adventurous, you might want to check out Woodstock Rock, a 40-foot wall with small overhangs and two cold shuts at the top. I'm not exactly sure what this means, but from what I gather, this wall is meant for intermediate climbers. Woodstock Rock is located in a park on Old Court Rd. in the Patapsco Valley State Park.

"It's pretty good for a local area," said senior Nate Young of Woodstock Rock. "Outdoor climbing only costs whatever it costs you to get there."

Well, that's also assuming that you own your own equipment, a one-time price of about \$250 (includes har-

ness, ropes, shoes, etc.). If Hopkins' indoor climbing doesn't satiate your appetite, Young suggests Earth Treks, located in Colombia, Md. The wall there is 45 ft tall, has about five times the floor space and will set you back \$16 for a day of climbing.

Nate manages to climb on an average of five times per week and helps to run the climbing wall at Hopkins. Seeking to place ourselves above Loyola, I asked him to compare our walls.

"Ours is better than other colleges," he said.



EMILY NALVEN/NEWS-LETTER
The AC climbing wall may whet your appetite to ascend more challenging peaks in around Maryland.

That's all I wanted to know.

What makes ours better? Not only is it bigger: Here, you have the option of "lead climbing," climbing while dragging rope behind yourself and clipping carabiners (those thick metal clips that some people use for key chains) to bolts in the wall as you ascend. The advantage of this is that you can climb in a place that doesn't have a set path. The disadvantage is that you can fall from 5-15 ft before the rope catches on the highest bolt you've hooked onto. Another disadvantage was pointed out when you find that you can't go any farther. In this case, you're going to have to leave behind a carabiner and go back down.

What happens to the poor little guy? Young proclaims, "either get stronger and come back later or somebody else gets it."

The other option available is "top roping," where the rope extends from the top of the wall to the bottom, where a spotter keeps close watch. The disadvantage: You're not cutting your own path. The advantage: You only fall about a foot.

If you'd rather keep your feet on the ground (and get shot at), maybe paintball is more your cup of tea. It's relatively cheap, and you can find paintball arenas littered about the area.

Paintball is even available at Roundtop, a local ski mountain. In fact, it's \$20 cheaper to play a day of paintball than to purchase a one-day ski lift ticket.

Closer still is Paintball Sportsland, one of the most prominent paintball locations in the world. Boasting 85 acres of land, it's easy for one to get lost, hidden, or find a place to "let nature take its course." About a 50-min drive from Hopkins, "this place is well set-up, well laid-out, with tons of land." This came from junior Chris Reinig, a paintball veteran. "Employees there are friendly. They even came out and played with us when we didn't have enough people."

Fortunately, the employees there realize that they have a greater skill level than others who may not frequent their establishment and divide the teams equally.

"They have a great speedball course." Unsure of what he meant by "speedball," I consulted my dictionary, which informed me that it is the following: "Slang. An intravenous dose of cocaine mixed with heroin or an amphetamine." Praying that this wasn't what he meant, I returned to Reinig, and was informed that it is, "a game played in close quarters, with barrels and stuff set up." Thankful, I ended the interview.

Music makes world go round

Here I am listening to the achingly beautiful sounds of the second movement of Rachmaninov's *Piano Concerto No. 2*. As I sit, listening and contemplating the words I am about to type, I cannot help but acknowledge the tears that are falling gently down my cheek as the clarinetist plays what is, by far, one of the most sensuous solos in the repertoire.

Perhaps you don't care. But I urge you to consider what music means to you. Music, as I define it, is not limited to any type or era. It is, simply, a sound that stirs within you an emotion, be it mild amusement, rage, sorrow, whatever.

Imagine, for a moment, what the world would be like without music... (silence)

A world without music is so horrible and devoid of character that I am literally pained every time I am forced to think of such.

As a double degree student, I enjoy privileged access into two realms, each with its own set of beautiful quirks and frustrating moments. More than ever, I find myself frustrated as my five-year stint at Johns Hopkins and Peabody begins to wind down. There are so many emotions that I've encountered in the past year that I have become a lexicon of possible human states. This last year I have had to come to terms with my own relationship with music, which has held a special place in my heart for almost 25 years now. I am pained because I am finally in the unenviable position of having to choose a career path.

The sad truth is that I shall not be pursuing a career as a musician.

You can berate me, hit me, abuse me, ignore me, but nothing hurts me the way seeing the previous sentence on my computer screen does. It hurts so much that I have been putting myself in denial about it. For the last month or so I have been unable to get excited about music. I realize, though, that this lack of enthusiasm is nothing more than my unwillingness to leave myself susceptible to the pain of leaving behind a dream I once had; a dream in which I am sitting on stage and looking out into a sea of faces needing musical healing; a dream in which I, along with my musical colleagues, can offer solace to throngs of people who flock to hear music. One dream gone, I still have others, but none as long-lasting or meaningful as the one I lost.

Music is powerful. As I look back upon this last year, I keep seeing an image of four Congress gathering post-

Sept. 11 and singing. For them and those watching them on television, music was key in uniting our efforts. The simple act of singing together in



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an imperfect, but genuine, harmony was enough for us to reach others across this country and to begin a collective process of healing.

Personally, I recall the first orchestra rehearsal I had after the event. It was on Sept. 12 and I remember being touched by the poignant words spoken by Teri Murai, our conductor. He was so overwrought with emotion that I could hear him choking up as he reminded us that our job was to combat such tragedies and evil by offering the best performances possible. Music was a weapon to be used in the war against terrorism. I don't think I've ever played a more intense rehearsal than I did that day.

I look back to John Lynch, hands-down the best conductor I've ever had the fortune to work with, and wonder what makes him so special. He has passion. His life is one that cannot be separated from music without an effort tantamount to violently splitting the earth in two. The fluid motions of his body and the emotion written on his face as he conducts is indicative of a man who pursues his life's passion. For him there was no choice. It was music or nothing.

Then there's Piero Weiss, who teaches a music history class at Peabody. Imagine an old, almost curmudgeonly old man who walks in a stooped manner, and you've envisioned him. He sometimes plays the piano in class instead of playing examples on the stereo. This week he played two short pieces. As I watched him play, I was taken with the beauty of the moment. While watching him

play the piano, I realized that Weiss loves music. He has a genuine love for it. And to watch this man as he painfully performed these pieces made me realize that I have much more respect for him than I do for others who are capable of performing those pieces without a blink of the eye.

What tarnishes music, however, are those who seek to gratify their own egos by involving themselves in its creation. There is one conductor who fits this bill. It would be unkind of me to name this individual, so let it suffice that he still conducts and is alive. Working with this man was the worst experience of my life. He lacks the technical facility to properly conduct something as simple as "Mary Had a Little Lamb," and gets frustrated with the musicians when they cannot play. Truth be told, the musicians can play. They just lack any sort of direction from this conductor. And everyone is aware that the only reason he conducts once in a while is to stroke his own ego. It is an immense waste of time for everyone involved to go to a rehearsal in which a page turn with a meter change throws off the conductor to the point that he stops and feels he needs to find something wrong with the musicians to cover his own inadequacies.

Though I am saddened at the prospect of being an audience member and not a performer, I know that I'll find comfort in my brother's musical career. Eric is a junior at the Cleveland Institute of Music and on Monday he found out that he and one other man are finalists for the percussion opening at the Lyric Opera of Chicago. He never seemed to have talent and I remember him taking auditions for youth orchestras and summer festivals just because I was doing it. In fact, he almost quit playing percussion when he was in junior high school. I know that his present successes are in part due to my guidance, so I wish him the best luck in his future as a professional percussionist.

I could write on the topic of music and its meaning for ages, so I'll stop now. But I leave you with one request. Ask yourself what music means to you. Truly, there is something unique about it that reinforces the very ideals we strive for as humans. Even Augustine recognized this in his Confessions when he wrote:

"The tears flowed from me when I heard your hymns and canticles, for the sweet singing of your Church moved me deeply. The music surged in my ears, truth seeped into my heart, and my feelings of devotion overflowed, so that the tears streamed down. But they were tears of gladness."

John P. Barlow

"The Thomas Jefferson of Cyberspace"
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Double standards still dominate

Here we stand, ankle deep in the 21st century, a modern era of innovative technological advances and prosperity for the majority. You'd think that we have come a long way from the female suffrage and oppression of the 1920s. So why are women still considered a minority, even beyond the campus of Hopkins? This is not some feminist plea or an attack on men — this is a statement about the difficulty of being female in a world with disguised stereotypes.

With all the propaganda on the television against the Taliban and their treatment of women in Afghanistan, it has made it easy for the American public to scorn them and cry out that our system is infinitely better. I am not contesting this — I am very lucky to be a female going to college

The age-old stereotypes of a woman staying at home with the kids, cooking and cleaning, still exist. Many men still expect to marry a woman and keep her around for sexual pleasure and convenience. Despite the representations in the media and

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otherwise of strong, successful women, all women are still expected to be effeminate and soft. I was discussing with my friends the other night why it is that, traditionally, baby girls are dressed in pink and boys in blue. And we decided it was

What if Madeline Albright or Carly Fiorina (the CEO of Hewlett-Packard and first female CEO of a Fortune 500 company) had decided to produce a litter and cater after their needs?

because pink is supposed to look soft, gentle and feminine — what girls are supposed to be. Well, what if girls don't want to be soft and gentle? What then? They are considered not feminine enough, and considered inferior because of this lack of gentility. Well a woman should not be defined through her femininity, in any world.

The problem isn't only that we live in a world where people, not just women, are judged based on their appearance. Women are judged on everything. It has never been fair that if a guy sleeps around, he is considered a stud and if a girl does so, she is a slut. In a world where men and

women are supposed to be on equal footing, it is not fair that women can be destroyed by reputation by the exact same thing as a man. Strong women are intimidating to men, undesirable. They can't seem to fathom that a girl would want to do anything besides raise children. And although I can respect and admire the women who choose to do this, I cannot help but feel like it could be an awful waste of potential.

I was told recently by a friend that he thinks what defines women is their ability to give birth. I was absolutely appalled by this, as if I am a woman because I can have babies someday. If you must base it down to biology, other than physical elements, it is testosterone and estrogen that separate men and women. But it's more than this — what makes a woman? Contrary to popular belief, it's not breasts and a lack of a penis — it's a different way of seeing the world, a different way of perceiving and calculating. And up until recently really, the world has been dominated by testosterone. Only recently has the woman's view come into play. What if Madeline Albright or Carly Fiorina (the CEO of Hewlett-Packard and first female CEO of a Fortune 500 company) had decided to produce a litter and cater after their needs?

In a world where women cannot be too strong spoken about their beliefs on women's rights for fear of being classified as a "man-hating feminist," it is more difficult than it seems to be a strong, independent woman and appealing at the same time. It seems that most successful women who claim independence are sexy, as if their appearance can make up for the fact that they run their own lives and make them less-threatening because men can still envision them in the sack. It seems that to live in a fair world requires separating a woman from her sexuality enough to appreciate her without taking into account how she looks naked. Until then, we remain in a world where women are judged by double standards that perpetually have to be risen above.

FEATURES

How I learned to love lacrosse

Despite my best intentions, I came to lacrosse somewhat by accident. I knew, of course, that it was the sport to watch around these parts, and my roommate and I had made plans to catch the home games, but it was while flipping channels one afternoon that we came across the season-opening Princeton game by chance. Nowadays, it sounds bizarre to describe myself as coming on something like the Princeton game "by chance," but those were different days, and I was young and inexperienced.

Nevertheless, I soon realized the scope of what I was dealing with as I watched that glorious game. That afternoon, the Jays broke Princeton's 41-game home winning streak, taking the Tigers down on their own turf. What's more, they exacted a measure of revenge for defeats in their two previous encounters—a feat I am hopeful they will replicate on Saturday. I remember the powerful tension in that tiny AMR room as Hopkins came back from a four-point deficit at the end of the first half, narrowing Princeton's lead and finally coming out on top. The last three minutes were the tensest, as we prayed that the JHU defense and Brian Carcaterra (this was before his reputation was tarnished by allegations of rape and when he was in his prime as one of the country's best goalies) could keep Princeton away from the net. Neighbors were drawn in by our cheering, and gathered around our tiny set to catch their first glimpse of the game that has brought our school so much glory in the past. Finally, the clock expired, with Hopkins still ahead. We exploded. It was the birth of at least two lacrosse fans.

I've told this story a hundred times. The point, however, remains the same: for whatever reason, despite my being a non-player and, to a large extent, a non-watcher of sports, lacrosse has been an integral part of my Hopkins experience.

Why is that? I could answer this in paragraph form, but I'm feeling epigrammatic today, so here, in no particular order, are some theories on why I get into the game.

IT'S SOMETHING WE'RE GOOD AT*

It's all well and good when our researchers come up with a new prosthetic or artificial sweetener or what have you, but let's be honest: it's not the sort of thing that has us out there tearing down the goal posts. Lacrosse, on the other hand, is right out there in front of you, and there's testosterone and nets and hitting people, which makes for a lot more excitement than lab work. Unless they get Vince McMahon to start putting lab work



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in the ring on pay-per-view.

*No offense to members of four other sports teams. You're all great, but lax gets all the press. It's unfair, but that's the way of things. Blame the NCAA.

IT'S PLAYED BY NORMAL LOOKING PEOPLE

Sure, the lax team are big guys, but it's not like we're talking seven-foot-tall basketball players or seven-foot-wide football players. All in all, the people playing lax look more like normal people than many of the other D-I athletes out there. Of course, I'm sort of using myself as a yardstick here, so maybe this particular reason isn't as valid as some of the others.

IT'S FAST

No offense to baseball fans here, but unless I'm in the stadium with a

beer in one hand and a hot dog in the other, I have some trouble getting into America's pastime. I understand that it has its appeal in a scientific, statistical manner, and I understand its storied place in American culture, and what's more, I don't ask that it be made into something that it isn't. I just don't see it as much other than an excuse to spend a pleasantly warm evening in Camden Yards eating overpriced hot dogs and glancing at the field once in a while. And to be perfectly honest, in football they stop the clock a bit too often for me. And basketball and hockey are indoors, which is a waste of a nice spring afternoon (well, not the case with hockey). Lacrosse is fast-paced enough to hold my attention and it's outdoors in the spring, which, particularly in Baltimore, is a good place to be.

THE GROUND FLOOR FACTOR

This may sound lame, but I feel good having started to watch lacrosse as a freshman. Of course, I can't equate myself to those kids who skirt the edges of the field during games, the 10-year-olds with their lacrosse sticks, watching the big boys with awe and envy. It's not like I was exposed to lax in the womb, as these kids clearly were. Nonetheless, having gotten into it my first year here, I don't feel those twinges that I get sometimes when I'm cheering for the Ravens, who I only started to follow as they approached the Super Bowl in 2001.

IT'S A CHANCE TO SHOW SOME SCHOOL SPIRIT

I like it here most of the time. I can honestly say that I've had, by and large, a pretty good time at the ol' Johnny Hop. Met some great people, learned some great stuff, drank some great gin. But when I'm sitting in Homewood Field watching the Jays put a pounding on some hapless lax wannabes, I love it here. With the University's emphasis on finding your own way through college, we aren't always encouraged to show much interest in the University as a whole. Lacrosse, for me anyway, gives an outlet for those not-so-negative feelings we have towards our alma mater.

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HOT MEDIA MAVEN

Full name: Sarah Beddow Gibson
Sign: Aries
Year: Junior
Major: Writing Seminar

Attention young Hopkins men: There exists one girl who your cheesy pick-up lines will work on. Sarah, the junior babe who is "shameless, perky and forever doing too much," confessed that anyone who has the balls to spout a painful two-liner will win her attention. Well, at least for a while anyway. There are lots more personality perks that you'll probably need to keep this spunky, creative girl around.

A short blonde, with glasses and a pierced nose, Sarah is the editor-in-chief as well as the founder of *J. Magazine*. She's also a clarinet player in the JHU Band and is a member of the Students for a Free Tibet. Her hobbies include baking, reading, sewing and "watching [her] goldfish swim." So not only does she like to cook up cakes, brownies, muffins and pies, she also likes to immerse herself in Postmodernist American Fiction.

It's easy to tell that Sarah has a style that's all her own. With a weak spot for chivalry and romance, Sarah's a confident, unique woman who admittedly enjoys the traditions of an earlier time. And why shouldn't she? I think a lot of women would agree with her idea of a turn-on which is "a boy who forbids me from even reaching for my pocket when the bill comes."

Her turn-off is equally of a uni-

versal ilk, as she can't stand "guys who forget that women have erogenous zones beyond their breasts and vaginas."

Come on, those expectations aren't all that high, boys. Two things to remember: be a gentleman and be considerate. Sarah's a busy girl with running a magazine, being a Hopkins student and working towards her goal of being the next Martha Stewart. Oh, wait. I mean a cooler, hipper, chiller Martha, with better ideas and better prices. Consequently, if you want to score a date, you'll have to top her best date ever. As she said, "My best date was a couple of Valentine's Days ago when I got picked up by my boyfriend who had made reservations at a lovely restaurant, gave me roses, treated me to a four-course meal and the kissed my hand at the end of the evening."

There are a few more things Sarah shared with us about herself. She likes Ben and Jerry's ice cream (particularly New York Super Fudge Chunk), Brad Pitt and alternative rock. Sarah's also got a thing for the vocal stylings of Rufus Wainwright and "sloppy, happy Brit rock" bands. If she could be doing anything right now, yes, you guessed it, she'd be a student in culinary school. And although she hates the mall and current fashion trends, she frequents Trader Joe's for her eclectic cooking tastes. Oh, and one more thing—she's got a tattoo on her ass (yet she didn't tell us what it was of.) I'll leave that for y'all to find out.



ITALIAN PHILLY FAN

Full name: Michael Kevin DeSantis
Sign: Capricorn
Year: Junior

Major: Political Science, Business
Mikey D, or Meatball as his friends know him, describes himself as "reasonably outgoing," with a penchant for friends and meeting new people. However, when asked about his dating status, Mike says he's not really looking. Hmm...maybe the right girl would change his mind? It's hard to fathom why the girls aren't trampantly stalking this man with self-described "deadly good looks, impeccably interesting personality and verbose outspokenness."

Well, those incredible traits are probably what led to his worst date ever—either that or a lack of sense. As Mike described, "She lied about her age when I met her. I was 18 and she told me she was 17. I got to her house and her parents were ready to kill me for some reason, and after we finally left, it was then that I found out she was 13." Sure, that's what they all say.

Anyhow, Mike's turn-ons include young-looking, smart girls who are good conversationalists. He also likes confidence and forwardness, and a girl who's not afraid to tell him what she thinks. Oh, and youthfulness, did I mention that? More specifically, "Someone who's not afraid to speak her mind and tell me what she thinks about anything. Someone who won't put me on a pedestal but tell me when she thinks I'm messing up." Mike, I don't think that'll be hard to find.

His most embarrassing moment was "the time when I gave a presentation in high school with my fly down." Apparently the teacher didn't tell him until 10 minutes after the fact.

There are a few ways you can really impress Mike, if you so desire. He likes beaches, movies, nice restaurants (especially B-more's very own Vaccaro's), clubs and Ferris wheels. He's definitely not the most adventurous man you'll encounter at Hopkins. However, I'm sure that any girl who enjoys speaking out will love the chance to tell this guy just what she thinks.

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The Screen Actors Guild will honor its own at its 8th Annual Awards ceremony on March 10 at the Los Angeles Shrine Exposition Center, televised nationally on TNT (Turner Network Television) at 8 p.m. ET/PT, 7 p.m. Central, 6 p.m. MT.

8th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards® Nominations:

Theatrical Motion Pictures

For Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Leading Role

Russell Crowe/*A Beautiful Mind*
Kevin Kline/*Life as a House*
Sean Penn/*I am Sam*
Denzel Washington/*Training Day*
Tom Wilkinson/*In the Bedroom*

For Outstanding Performance by a Female Actor in a Leading Role

Halle Berry/*Monster's Ball*
Jennifer Connelly/*A Beautiful Mind*
Judi Dench/*Iris*
Sissy Spacek/*In the Bedroom*
Renée Zellweger/*Bridget Jones's Diary*

For Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Supporting Role

Jim Broadbent/*Iris*
Hayden Christensen/*Life as a House*
Ethan Hawke/*Training Day*
Ben Kingsley/*Sexy Beast*
Ian McKellen/*The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring*

For Outstanding Performance by a Female Actor in a Supporting Role

Cate Blanchett/*Bandits*
Judi Dench/*The Shipping News*
Cameron Diaz/*Vanilla Sky*
Dakota Fanning/*I am Sam*
Helen Mirren/*Gosford Park*

For Outstanding Performance by the Cast of a Theatrical Motion Picture

A Beautiful Mind, Universal Pictures
Paul Bettany
Jennifer Connelly
Russell Crowe
Adam Goldberg
Jason Gray
Ed Harris
Judd Hirsch
Josh Lucas
Austin Pendleton
Christopher Plummer
Anthony Rapp

Gosford Park, USA Films
Eileen Atkins
Bob Balaban
Alan Bates
Charles Dance
Raymond
Stephen Fry
Michael Gambon
Richard E. Grant
Tom Hollander
Derek Jacobi
Kelly MacDonald
Helen Mirren
Jeremy Northam

Clive Owen
Ryan Phillippe
Kristin Scott Thomas
Maggie Smith
Constance
Geraldine Somerville
Sophie Thompson
Emily Watson
James Wilby

In the Bedroom, Miramax Films
William Mapother
Sissy Spacek
Nick Stahl
Marisa Tomei
Celia Weston
Tom Wilkinson



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William Wise

The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring, New Line Cinema
Sean Astin
Sean Bean
Cate Blanchett
Orlando Bloom
Billy Boyd
Ian Holm
Christopher Lee
Ian McKellen
Dominic Monaghan
Viggo Mortensen
John Rhys-Davies
Andy Serkis
Liv Tyler
Hugo Weaving
Elijah Wood

Moulin Rouge, 20th Century FOX
Jim Broadbent
Nicole Kidman
John Leguizamo
Ewan McGregor
Richard Roxburgh

Primetime Television

For Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Television Movie or Miniseries
Alan Alda/*Club Land*
Richard Dreyfuss/*The Day Reagan Was Shot*
James Franco/*James Dean*
Gregory Hines/*Bojangles*
Ben Kingsley/*Anne Frank*

For Outstanding Performance by a Female Actor in a Television Movie or Miniseries

Angela Bassett/*Ruby's Bucket of Blood*

Judy Davis/*Life with Judy Garland: Me and My Shadows*
Anjelica Huston/*The Mists of Avalon*
Sissy Spacek/*Midwives*
Emma Thompson/*Wit*

For Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Drama Series
Richard Dreyfuss/*The Education of Max Bickford*
Dennis Franz/*NYPD Blue*
James Gandolfini/*The Sopranos*
Peter Krause/*Six Feet Under*
Martin Sheen/*The West Wing*

For Outstanding Performance by a Female Actor in a Drama Series

Lorraine Bracco/*The Sopranos*
Stockard Channing/*The West Wing*
Tyne Daly/*Judging Amy*
Edie Falco/*The Sopranos*
Lauren Graham/*Gilmore Girls*
Allison Janney/*The West Wing*

For Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Comedy Series

Peter Boyle/*Everybody Loves Raymond*
Kelsey Grammer/*Frasier*
Sean Hayes/*Will & Grace*
David Hyde Pierce/*Frasier*
Ray Romano/*Everybody Loves Raymond*

For Outstanding Performance by a Female Actor in a Comedy Series

Jennifer Aniston/*Friends*
Kim Cattrall/*Sex and the City*
Patricia Heaton/*Everybody Loves Raymond*
Megan Mullally/*Will & Grace*
Sarah Jessica Parker/*Sex and the City*

For Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble in a Drama Series

CSI: Crime Scene Investigation, CBS
Gary Dourdan
George Eads
Jorja Fox
Paul Guilfoyle
Marg Helgenberger
William Petersen
Law & Order, NBC
Angie Harmon
Jesse L. Martin
S. Epatha Merkerson
Jerry Orbach
Elisabeth Röhm
Sam Waterston
Dianne Wiest
Six Feet Under, HBO
Lauren Ambrose
Frances Conroy
Rachel Griffiths
Michael C. Hall
Richard Jenkins
Peter Krause
Freddy Rodriguez
Jeremy Sisto
Mathew St. Patrick

The Sopranos, HBO
Lorraine Bracco
Federico Castelluccio
Dominic Chianese
Corrado
Drea De Matteo
Edie Falco
James Gandolfini

Robert Iler
Michael Imperioli
Joe Pantoliano
Steven R. Schirripa
Jamie-Lynn Sigler
Tony Sirico
Aida Turturro
Steven Van Zandt
John Ventimiglia

The West Wing, NBC
Stockard Channing
Dulé Hill
Allison Janney
Rob Lowe
Janel Moloney
Richard Schiff
Martin Sheen
John Spencer
Bradley Whitford

For Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble in a Comedy Series

Everybody Loves Raymond, CBS
Peter Boyle
Brad Garrett
Patricia Heaton
Doris Roberts
Ray Romano
R
Madylin Sweeten

Frasier, NBC
Peri Gilpin
Kelsey Grammer
Jane Leeves
John Mahoney
David Hyde Pierce

Friends, NBC
Jennifer Aniston
Courteney Cox
Arquette
Lisa Kudrow
Matt LeBlanc
Matthew Perry
David Schwimmer

Sex and the City, HBO
Kim Cattrall
Kristin Davis
Cynthia Nixon
Sarah Jessica Parker

Will & Grace, NBC
Sean Hayes
Eric McCormack
Debra Messing
Shelley Morrison
Megan Mullally

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Actor Edward Asner.

White Stripe hype

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THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER



COURTESY OF SYMPATHY FOR THE RECORD INDUSTRY

The Strokes were supposed to save rock 'n' roll. They were supposed to return from their self-imposed exile abroad to take the airwaves, and thus the hearts and minds of American youth, by storm. Suburban kids were supposed to drop their FuBu clothing and Linkin Park CDs in favor of Chuck Taylor All-Stars and the Velvet Underground. All was supposed to be well with the world.

Well, not all revolutions are successful. Five months after the release of their first album, *Is This It*, the saviors from the Upper East Side have thoroughly wasted any potential for rock revolution they once had. After much fuss, all the Strokes amounted to was one catchy single that got some radio play, an uninspired performance on *SNL* and a similarly lackluster MTV2 concert. You can almost imagine what is going through lead singer Julian Casablancas' head on stage: something like "Only two more songs and I get to go backstage with the aspiring models." What a shame.

Enter the White Stripes, with their album *White Blood Cells*, which came out in the U.S. earlier this month. Similarly hyped as the second coming by the British indie press, the Stripes are starting to get radio play with their single "Fell in Love With a Girl."

The White Stripes are made up of just two musicians: Jack and Meg White. Depending on whom you ask, they are either brother and sister or a divorced couple. Depending on whom you believe, you can either feel the brotherly-sisterly love or cut the sexual tension with a knife. Jack plays the guitar while Meg bangs away on a drum kit. It's a nice gimmick, as is the fact that they always wear red and white on stage.

The simple setup has caused some to call the Stripes a minimalist rock act. "Minimalist" reminds me of Phillip Glass operas and other such unbearable cultural experiences. Others have called the White Stripes' stripped-down sound folk-rock, which isn't too far off, considering

that Jack can really make an acoustic guitar sound powerful in "Hotel Yorba." Still, folk-rock implies a degree of touchy-feely wimpiness, when the White Stripes sound more like Led Zeppelin than James Taylor, the reigning king of wimpy music. Perhaps the best way to describe the White Stripes' sound would be to call it "folk-metal" — rootsy, but ballsy and loud.

Still, they tend to jump genres enough to make it difficult to pigeon-hole them into any categorization, even if it is constructed exclusively for them. "Fell in Love With a Girl" is loud, fast and clocks in at 1:50, which makes it as close to traditional punk as two mild-mannered Detroit-based rockers are going to get. "We're Going to be Friends" is a sugary-sweet song about elementary-school buddies performed on acoustic without drum accompaniment. On the opposite side of the spectrum, "Dirty Leaves and the Dirty Ground" relies on distorted vocals and guitar to create a sound that is hard enough to cut diamonds. Forget the nu-metal kids with their confused scratching, thrashing and whining — Linkin Park, Papa Roach or P.O.D. will never get close to sounding that hard.

That being said, there's a caveat — the album, as a whole, isn't that cohesive. The hooks of "Hotel Yorba" and "Fell in Love With a Girl" aren't replicated anywhere else. "Aluminum" is also super-hard, but not particularly easy to thrash your head to. Genre-hopping is to be respected, but frankly, all that jumping around has made me dizzy. The bottom line: buy the damn album.

REAL WORLD: HOPKINS?

Want to be in a documentary? Seniors Jeff Novich (*Jeff Makes A Movie, The Big Shit*) and Sharon Braune are looking to shoot a documentary on college life at Hopkins from the perspective of graduating seniors. What did you think of your freshman year roommate? How did you meet your best friends? What was your best hookup? Novich and Braune want funny, interesting and entertaining stories about your life here at Hopkins. Anyone is welcome to tell his or her story and you can give us as much or as little time as you want. Novich and Braune anticipate having 40 to 50 students profiled in an hour-long documentary. "We're not looking for anything specific; this isn't for admissions. We're just looking for people to be animated on camera," Novich and Braune say. "Nothing is set in stone — this is as informal as it gets. You can do the interview over a beer, you can curse, you can wear whatever you want. Think of cool places you'd like your interview to be filmed. If you have a story about E-level or the roof of Bloomberg, we can shoot it there."

The following is a list of suggested questions that they hope will serve as a guideline. If you're interested in participating in the documentary, please answer a few of these questions — or question's you've made up on your own — with brief, one-sentence responses to help Novich and Braune plan more effective interview sessions. Pre-interview questions: What's been your most interesting experience? Your funniest — craziest, most bizarre, most ironic — story? When and how did you meet your best friends? Your best hookup? Most bizarre place you've hooked up? What was your hardest/easiest class? What did it entail? Roommate stories? Your major or how many majors you've been through? Most useful/useless class and why? Do you think college is worth the money? Why? What pisses you off the most on campus/in general/about Hopkins? What was the most useful thing you've learned in your college experience and how you learned it? What's the best place to drink?

What was your cheapest meal? Terrace/Wolman horror stories? Pablo the Pizzaman stories? Club Stories, like that time you walked into Garland Hall and saw all the SLAC kids eating pizza and talking on their cell phones? Interesting or funny phrases heard/overheard here? The most unbelievable fact you've learned about a friend or someone you know? Any fun drug stories? All of the funny alcohol stories. Dorm life. Have you ever cheated in class? Tell us about it. What's the most memorable non-academic thing you've done? What's the weirdest place you've broken into on campus? What were the best MP3s (or pom) you've found? What were the best movies you've seen on campus? (Yeah, we all saw *Legend of Bagger Vance*.) Craziest summer/winter/spring break stories? Things you've learned about relationships? Religious learning? Diversity, (or how long it's been since you hooked up with a white girl/guy)? What was the best concert or event at Hopkins? Rusted Root? Eminem? "Sex and Candy?" Shaggy? Coolest, weirdest place you've met another Hopkins student off-campus? If you're in a fraternity, any of the billion insane things you've done. Who was your best/worst professor? Tell us about him or her. What is the longest stretch of time you've gone without sleep? Why you came here? What were you thinking? What Ivy rejected you? What did you want to do when you came here? What do you want to do when you graduate now? What's the weirdest thing you've done to procrastinate? All ideas are welcome. Novich and Braune are looking to schedule interviews and start shooting in the next week. More information can be found at <http://www.jeffsmovies.com>, or by e-mailing Jeff Novich (jeffnovich@hotmail.com) or Sharon Braune (sbraune@jhu.edu).

Mosh pits foil recent Fu Manchu show

BY BRIAN UDOFF
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

I can now officially say not only that I've had a bad concert experience — my first since the disastrous camp trip back in 1995 to see the Steve Miller Band and the Doobie Brothers — but that I've also had a terribly disappointing one. And the ultimate tragedy in this all is that I don't even have any objections to the performance or the music, per se.

Fu Manchu have been underground favorites of the now-termed "stoner metal" scene since 1990, issuing six albums prior to their recent commercially successful *California Crossing*. Admittedly, I had no knowledge of this before the concert; I thought they were a new band in the wake of Queens of the Stone Age. Little did I know that Fu Manchu and QOTSA-parent, Kyuss, were the pioneers in their genre. Needless to say, the band has built up a fiercely loyal, if consistently intoxicated, fanbase over the years.

And did those years display themselves at the show. It was almost a little intimidating, being one of maybe five people in the room young enough to still have to get ink-crucified upon entry. Nonetheless, the three of us in my group who showed up at Fletchers that night sinuously wove through the crowd during the last opening act, landing a prime spot about four people back from the front

center of the stage.

Maybe I should preface the rest of this article with the disclaimer that I don't have any tattoos, body piercings, black leather wardrobe — much less a black wardrobe, period — a mullet, a residence in Glen Burnie, an affinity for alcohol and/or THC and I'm — I would hope obviously, despite the previous list — male. I think I was the only one in the room who fit that description.

I should also mention that although I have always been a consummate nerd, consumption aside, I only really discovered rock music as an artform recently; I missed the entire alternative "revolution" and even the counter-revolution, and my own personal grievances didn't quite fit the mold of "punk" — and even if they did, I wasn't really into the would-be lifestyle. Even so, if the crowd had been composed of punks, I think I would have been a little more sympathetic to suddenly finding myself less than two songs into the concert in the center of a mosh pit than I was.

Didn't moshing become herd mentality as early as the mid-'90s? Was it even ever not herd mentality? And why do fat 30-year-olds with shaven heads and black jumpers think it is cool to create a mosh pit that essentially enveloped the entire front of Fletchers? Why did they not stop even after knocking down several



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Veterans of the "stoner metal" scene, Fu Manchu.

women, bruising countless non-participants, etc? Why did Fletchers still refuse to kick out the ringleaders even after they participated in reckless stagediving? Why did Fu Manchu do nothing to control the crowd, instead approving of this? Do I regret leaving the concert?

The answer to the last question is no. I know the answer to some of the other questions, but maybe my discomfort with the answers is leading me into denial. I'm probably an indie-

kid at heart — as revolting as that is — but maybe it's time for these questions to be answered by others as well.

I'm also certain that some people are going to say that I am a prude, that there is nothing inherently wrong with any of these activities. And that could be the truth, except that it doesn't explain away the fact that most of the audience spent its time eyeing the mosh pit cautiously instead of paying attention to the talent shining onstage.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

HAPPENINGS AT THE DIGITAL MEDIA CENTER

DMC SALON, a weekly gathering of people of intellectual and artistic curiosity to discuss creativity, technology, and innovation. Every Monday afternoon, join discussions and demonstrations of Digital Art forms, techniques and issues. Mondays, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. in Mattin 225. Open to the entire JHU community.

Upcoming topics include:
March 4 — Photography/Electronic Sensor Installation

March 11 — Music CopyRight/CopyWrong

March 25 — Intermedia Trends

April 1 — A talk by the Secretary of the US

Department of Art and Technology In other DMC events, on March 8 the DMC is co-sponsoring a lecture by Eduardo Kac, pioneer of Transgenic Art, a new art form based on the use of genetic engineering to create unique living beings and to address the social and philosophical issues raised by the work. Kac is considered "one of the ten people who is shaping the art world around the globe" (*ARTnews*, Dec. 2001). Kac will be conducting a master class at JHU, then an open lecture at 7:00 p.m. at the Mt. Royal Station Auditorium at Maryland Institute College of Art.

Upcoming workshops include:
3-D Modeling Drop-In Assistance: Every Tuesday evening an experienced TA will be on hand to answer your questions about modeling and

animation with 3-D Studio Max. Students of every discipline are encouraged to drop in for skills demos and assistance with their projects. Tuesdays, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. in Mattin 226.

March 3: Introduction to Digital Video. Want to get your hands on some of the great digital video equipment the DMC has to lend? You'll need to attend this workshop to become certified. The hands-on workshop will cover basic camera operation, shooting techniques and project management. 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in Mattin 22.

March 6 and April 15: Video Editing Using Premiere 6.0. Learn how to edit your video project using Premiere 6.0, the latest in non-linear editing programs. This workshop will cover

project management, digitizing video footage, arranging clips on the timeline, adding transitions or effects to video clips and exporting a finished project. Other topics that will be discussed include creating titles, working with still images, and editing soundtracks.

DMC classes are free but require reservations. Please call 410-516-3817 or stop by Mattin 226 to register. Unless otherwise noted, classes and events are open to full-time JHU students in Arts and Sciences and Engineering. For more information about these and other events, please visit <http://digitalmedia.jhu.edu>, e-mail digitalmedia@jhu.edu or call 410-516-3817.

— Compiled by Natalya Minkovsky

Grey Gardens shows voyeurism at its best

Until recently, the 1975 documentary *Grey Gardens* was an elite member of Video Americain's rack of 15 orso out-of-print films (*End of the Road*, *Mondo Trasho*, *Breakin'*) that required a whopping \$150 deposit just to rent out for a rainy weekend.

Now that *Grey Gardens* is available on DVD at the St. Paul St. movie oasis, some of the adventure of seeking out the rare cult film and getting wrapped up in its fascinating world may have died down a bit. But watching the film itself continues to be an entertaining, sometimes harrowing adventure that makes the depthless voyeurism of *Real World* look like, well, depthless voyeurism.

Everyone and their mom has voyeuristic tendencies, whether they search for minute information on a crush on Google or watch Ozzy Osbourne's family going about its business on television. Seldom is voyeurism as grand in scope and as rich in meaning as it is in *Grey Gardens*. Not surprisingly, the film was accused at the time of exploiting the unconventional lives of its subjects in order to make an entertaining flick. But it is apparent from watching the film that directors David and Albert Maysles love their subjects, and their subjects love them back. Only with that rapport are they able to document such a substantive on-screen relationship and successfully convey its attractions as well as its contradictions.

On July 29, 1952, a young woman named Edie Bouvier Beale (cousin to Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy) returned from six years spent in New York City to live in her mother's East Hampton mansion. As the daughter said in a 1976 *Interview* magazine discussion with Kathryn Graham that is included on the DVD, "I never got away again." It ended up a permanent move that led her to embark on an idle and reclusive life with her mother. In 1971, the two women made the press when the Grey Gardens mansion was raided by about 15 men who told them to clean up their decaying, cat- and raccoon-filled estate or be forced to move out. In an interview, the elder Edie (they are referred to in the movie as Big Edie and Little Edie) called the raid "the most disgusting, atrocious thing to happen in America." The similarly bizarre younger Edie once claimed "I think our raid is like

Watergate."

A few years later, the Maysles brothers spent about six weeks, combined with occasional revisits, documenting the daily life of the now 56-year-old woman and her nearly 80-year-old mother. The on-screen lives of the women prove bizarre enough to intrigue but close-to-home enough to resonate with anyone who was ever concerned about the passing of time and the meaning and direction of his or her life.

Though her father wished her to become a "woman lawyer," Little Edie studied English literature at school; her casual knowledge of the subject comes across when she misquotes Robert Frost and refers to the young maintenance-boy Jerry as Marble Faun. The reference is to Nathaniel Hawthorne's book ("If you haven't read that, you haven't lived"), but her remembrances of the contents of the mysterious novel are hazy. Her spontaneous monologues are often a succession of unforgettable quotes: "Mother

wanted me to come out in a kimono but we had quite a fight," "The human mind will not function when it's hot" and, in a comment recently used by singer/songwriter Rufus Wainwright, "it's awfully difficult to keep the line between the past and the present."

As a woman whose only interests were "the Catholic Church, swimming and dancing," Edie is fond of her mother yet still marked by an eternal, tragic regret for having "never really lived." As she reveals in the Graham interview, "I could never do anything else then what I did, but the regret is terrible." She continually talks about not being able to spend another dreaded winter at Grey Gardens, but the viewer increasingly comes to see that these are empty threats. Everything in the house is permanently unfinished. The rooms are never fully decorated, and Little Edie never brings down the green goblets for Big Edie's birthday. Instead, she pours their wine into plastic cups.

Grey Gardens continually pours out such beautiful scenes that put the film on par with the grandest fictions of American literature, and put Little and Big Edie as some of the most fascinating and complex heroines to ever make it on film.

Precious few films nowadays inspire me to watch all the DVD baggage that come along with them, but the interviews on *Grey Gardens* found me lapping up all the additional info I could get about this movie. The DVD's most recent interview with Little Edie is a Christmastime 2000 phone call with David Maysles. Little Edie, now about the same age as Big Edie in the film, discusses her sadness over the voting process that caused Al Gore's defeat in the presidential elections — an interesting piece of consistency, since in the 1976 interview she claimed, "What I loved about America was the voting system." Despite her often naive and paranoid political prescriptions, I found myself desperately wanting to know what she would think about New York after Sept. 11.

Viewers continue to love to watch *Grey Gardens*, sometimes obsessively watching it over and over. More interesting is Edie Beale's relationship to the movie that made a few days of her life in the mid-'70s become a public document.

"I think it's a shame I never married you," said Edie to David Maysles in their 2000 interview. "I guess I've been in love with you for 30 years."

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provided the EIC with the following synopsis of the script: "In a New Jersey suburb, a high school senior and outcast decides to end his 10-year dependency on Ritalin because he has fallen in love with his classmate and fellow outcast, until she begins to abuse his medication to stay up working and studying, so she can get into college and escape her abusive father. Meanwhile, somewhere in Northern California, a young artist overdoses on Prozac when her boyfriend leaves her on New Year's Eve. Her story goes backwards through the weeks preceding that fateful night, revealing her ruined dreams and the big secret that made her stop taking her medication in the first place." The two plots run separately — his moving from beginning to end, hers from end to beginning, and in the end the two meet and fall in love in a hospital.

"I chose these issues to write about because they affected the lives of many people very close to me towards the end of high school," Jansma says. "The script means a lot to me personally, because it closely examines stories of these people who I still care about very much. I hope that because these stories are moving to me, that I can make them moving for others who might read them." Jansma adds, "I've been in love with writing since the fourth grade, and this sort of thing is exactly why I started writing, and I hope it's what keeps me going."

For more information on the Entertainment Industries Council, Inc. or PRISM Generation Next, visit <http://www.eiconline.org>.

JHU student wins EIC screenwriting award

BY NATALYA MINKOVSKY
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

Junior Kristopher Jansma, a Writing Seminar major, is the first JHU student to win a PRISM Generation Next screenwriting fellowship from the Entertainment Industries Council (EIC). Jansma applied for the fellowship during Intercession and was notified on Feb. 25 that he won. He will be developing the script through August 2002.

Jansma will receive \$1,000 for completing a screenplay depicting drug, alcohol and/or tobacco use and addiction, and will have a chance to win an \$8,000 scholarship when his screenplay is judged along with the work of the other PRISM Generation Next fellows. In addition to receiving financial support, Jansma will work with an industry mentor and techni-

cal advisor during script development.

A representative from the EIC gave a presentation at JHU during the fall semester, encouraging students to apply for the fellowship. The fellowship allows students who have completed at least two classes in screenwriting to demonstrate their awareness of addiction by developing a movie or television series script that accurately and authentically depicts drug, alcohol and/or tobacco use and addiction. One student is selected each year from participating schools nationwide, but this was the first year that JHU was selected as a participating school, joining prestigious film schools like NYU and UCLA.

Now a PRISM Generation Next fellow, Jansma is also a Woodrow Wilson fellow. He was awarded that

fellowship when he was accepted to JHU. Under the conditions of the Woodrow Wilson award, recipients are given \$10,000 to do undergraduate research. Although at first Jansma was not sure what he would do with the Woodrow Wilson award, half-way through his freshman year he and his roommate came up with an idea for a short film, which evolved into a stage play and then a screenplay that Jansma recently completed. Jansma's next step is to make it into a feature-length movie filmed on digital video.

Most of Jansma's experience at JHU has been with theater, not film. He's been active in the Barnstormers for two years, has acted in several shows, directed Kurt Vonnegut's *Happy Birthday, Wanda June* and is currently co-producing *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. He's also written one-act plays which have been produced by student theater group Witness Theatre. This year, he wrote *Vomit the Hamster: A Tale of February*, a comedy that is showing the weekend of March 8 in the Swirnow theater.

Jansma's proposed idea for the PRISM Generation Next fellowship is more serious than the comedies he has written for the stage. Jansma

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ARIES: (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)
Instant pudding is a tasty treat, but, as you will find out this week after an ill-advised home improvement project, it's no substitute for grout.



TAURUS: (APRIL 20-MAY 20)
Messenger services can get a document across town in minutes. They can also run you over in the death lane. Tire treads on the brain—ouch!



GEMINI: (MAY 21-JUNE 20)
Will Adams is a very, very bad man. If you see him around, kick him in the nuts. Then again, he doesn't go to school here anymore.



CANCER: (JUNE 21-JULY 22)
One day, you will realize that *Temptation Island* is not a moral guide. In the meantime, you will get crabs. How astrologically appropriate!



LEO: (JULY 23-AUGUST 22)
Day after day, you trudge through life with a frown. Cheer up! If you go to grad school and publish, you can impose your misery on others.



VIRGO: (AUGUST 23-SEPTEMBER 22)
Make the most of your time at Hopkins by joining clubs, making friends and getting in a bloody fistfight at PJs.



LIBRA: (SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 22)
Face/Off is the coolest movie ever. Curl up in front of the TV with some popcorn, some Boone's and a phatty j. It beats not getting laid and being sober.



SCORPIO: (OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 21)
To all my homies, I would like to offer a shout-out. Unfortunately, these horoscopes are based entirely on sound science and leave no room for creativity.



SAGITTARIUS: (NOVEMBER 22 - DEC. 21)
Face the facts: life doesn't get any better than this. I mean, where else is "only" four midterms paradise? Enjoy it while it lasts. Welfare isn't as fun as it looks.



CAPRICORN: (DEC. 23 - JANUARY 19)
Human beings are fragile warm-blooded creatures who don't take well to streaking drunk at a.m. in 20 degree weather. Pledge Masters, take note.



AQUARIUS: (JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 18)
Contact is also a fine motion picture. Ask a Libra friend about their horoscope. You might even want to join them for a double feature. Te he he.



PISCES: (FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 20)
Obsolete hardware is our forte here at the *News-Letter*. In fact, this issue was laid out on a Commodore 64, two typewriters and various sticks and sharpened stones.

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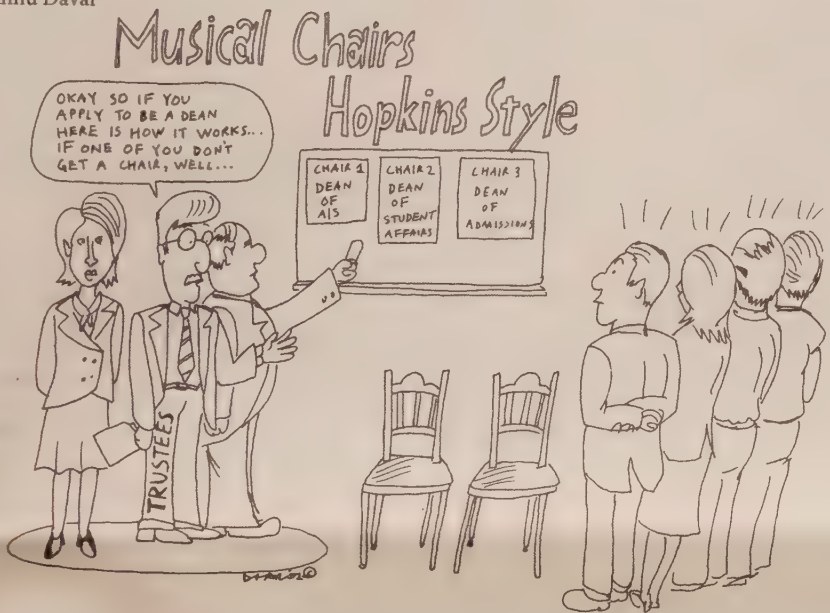
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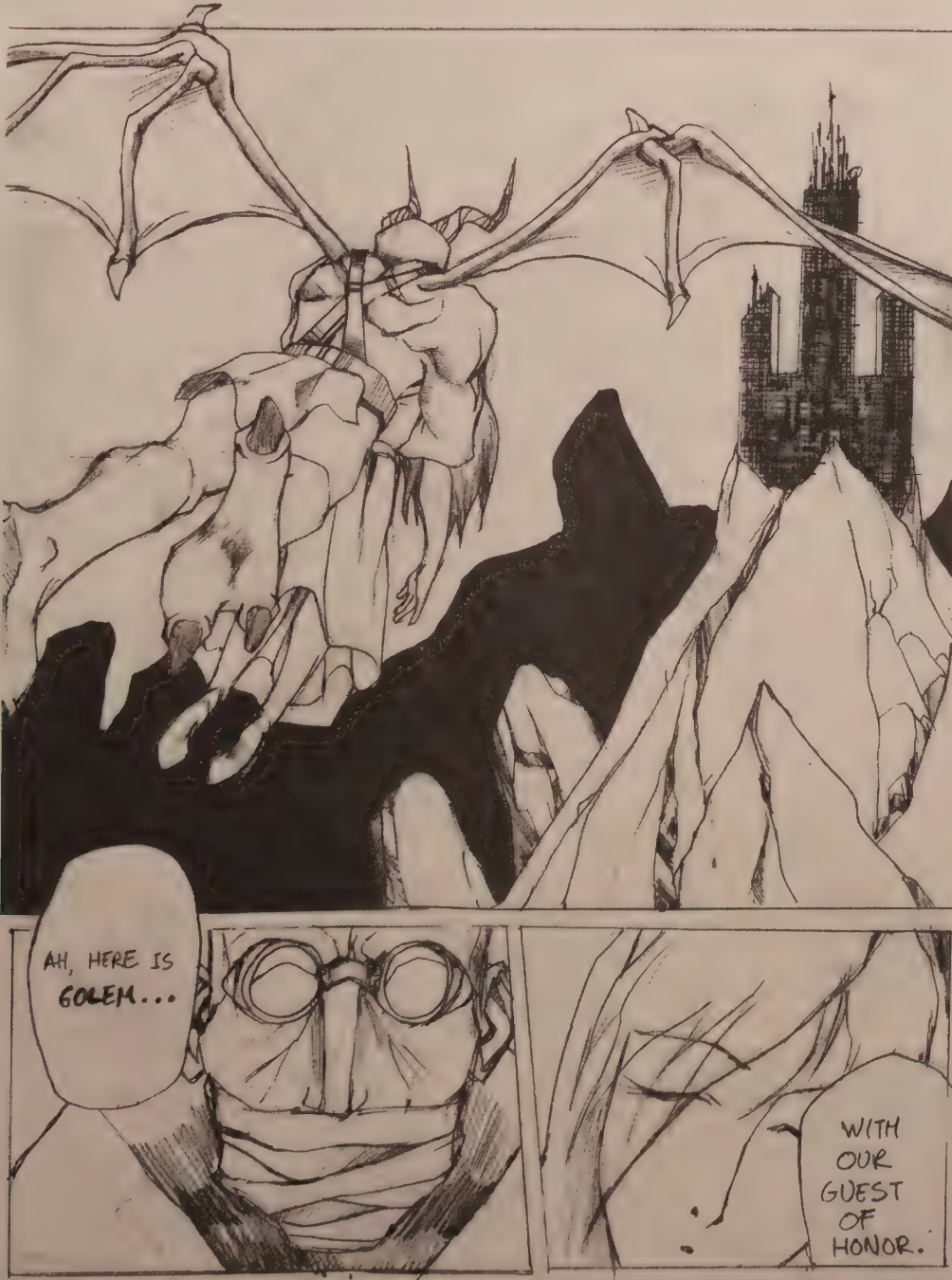
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by Mahnu Davar



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Thursday, February 28

ON CAMPUS

8:00 p.m. **Candidates Meet and Greet** in the AMR MPR. An informal setting to meet the candidates running for Student Council Executive Board. Come talk to the candidates and find out where they stand on important issues. Grab some food while you are around! For more information, e-mail BoE@jhu.edu.

OFF CAMPUS

6:00 p.m. **Fight for a Cure** at the Wyndam Baltimore Inner Harbor. The premier charity event featuring professional boxing matches, food and silent auction benefiting the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. For more information, call 410-576-8343.

Stop Kiss at the Axis Theatre. A play about two single Manhattanites and love lost and found. For more information, call 410-243-5237.

Unchained Legacy at the Walters Art Museum. Talks of America's Fight for Freedom. Join actor and award-winning author Alice McGill and award-winning actor, writer and director Bill Grimmette in an evening of collaboration. For more information, call 410-547-9000.

Founders of American Railroading at the B&O Railroad Museum. A premier exhibition from the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery featuring paintings, drawings and images of important railroad figures. For more information, call 410-752-2490 or visit <http://www.borail.org>.

Friday, March 1

ON CAMPUS

No Events Reported

OFF CAMPUS

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. **Quota Club Antique Show** at the Ocean City Convention Center. Antiques, furniture, jewelry, collectibles. For more information, call 410-524-9000.

7:00 p.m. **Fell's Point Ghost Walk at aMuse.** Guides lead attendees through the streets of the neighborhood, regaling them with tales of spirits, history and lore. For more information, call 410-522-7400 or visit <http://www.fellspointghost.com>.

7:35 p.m. **Baltimore Blast vs. Philadelphia KIXX** at the Baltimore Arena. For more information, call 410-73-BLAST.

8:00 p.m. **Concert at Griswold Hall at Peabody Conservatory.** Organ, featuring Marie-Claire Alain. For more information, call 410-659-8100.

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Master Harold... and the Boys at The Vagabond Theatre in Fell's Point. In Port Elizabeth, South Africa, Hally, a precious white teenager, spends a rainy afternoon with two black men employed in his family's tearoom. For more information, call 410-563-9135.

Nunsense at The Audrey Herman Spotlighters Theatre. The Little Sisters of Hoboken are in a bind! Fifty-two sisters succumbed to botulism from tainted vichyssoise. See the talken show they put together to raise burial money! For more information, call 410-752-1225.

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Garrett Lakes Arts Festival at Garrett Community College. Performers: music, dance, theater, lecture and story-telling by international, national and local touring groups; reserve seating. For more information, call 301-387-3082.

Hard Rock Cafe Live Music featuring Buzz Poets with Brizz. For more information, call 410-347-7625.

Saturday, March 2

ON CAMPUS

8:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. **Monsters, Inc.** in Shriver Hall. Worth watching again or for the first time! Support the Film Series, we need your help to keep bringing movies to campus! For more information, call 410-516-8666 or visit <http://www.jhu.edu/~jhuifilm>.

OFF CAMPUS

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. **Quota Club Antique Show** at the Ocean City Convention Center. Antiques, furniture, jewelry, collectibles. For more information, call 410-524-9000.

11:00 a.m. **Percussion Strikes Again**, Classically Kids Series at the Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall. This program shines the spotlight on the percussion section, who demonstrate the many different sounds percussion instruments can create. For children 7-12.

7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. **Walters Gala at the Walters Art Museum.** A black tie gala coinciding with the annual presentation of floral interpretations of museum pieces. For more information, call 410-547-9000.

7:35 p.m. **Baltimore Blast** vs. Milwaukee Wave at the Baltimore Arena. For more information, call 410-73-BLAST.

16th Annual Critics' Residency Program at Maryland Art Place. The 2001-2002 Critics' Residency Program in supported in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information, call 410-962-8565 or visit <http://www.mdartplace.org>.

175 Years: America on Track Celebration at the B&O Railroad Museum. Sixteen months of special events, new exhibits and rich interpretative programs for families, rail enthusiasts and lovers of history. Free parking! For more information, call 410-752-2490 or visit <http://www.borail.org>.

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Renovator's Workshop. Speak to experts about interior and exterior renovations and improvements to older homes and historic properties. For more information, call 410-848-7967.

Founder's Weekend at the B&O Railroad Museum. Kick-off event for the 175th Anniversary of American Railroadng celebrating the birth of railroadng in America and Baltimore and its genesis across the nation. For more information, call 410-752-2490 or visit <http://www.borail.com>.

All-Maryland Reptile Show at Havre de Grace Community Center. Come and enjoy 80+ tables of live reptiles, amphibians and equipment for sale. For more information, call 410-526-4184.

Carroll Kennel Club, Inc. Puppy Match Show. All breeds of dogs registered by the AKC. \$2 parking fee. For more information, call 410-239-7944.

Interstate Coin Show at Venice Ballroom. Buying, selling, trading of coins, currency, stamps and sports cards. For more information, call 301-739-5414.

Horizontal Persuasions at Baltimore Clayworks. A member artist exhibition featuring vessels, sculpture and wall work. For more information, call 410-578-1919.

Art Blooms at the Walters Art Museum. This annual presentation of floral interpretations of museum pieces. For more information, call 410-547-9000.

Panel Discussion: Looking Forward/Looking Black at Baltimore Museum of Art. Artists Michael Ray Charles, Renee Cox and Beverly McIver will join exhibition curator Jo Anna Isaak discussion of the issues raised in Looking Forward/Looking Black. For more information, call 410-545-6094.

Frederick Douglass "Path to Freedom" Walking Tour. Tour includes the Baltimore Civil War Museum and locations where Frederick Douglass lived, worked and worshipped in historic Fells Point. For more information, call 410-783-5469.

Sunday, March 3

ON CAMPUS

1:00 p.m. **Introduction to Digital Video** at the Digital Media Center. Hands-on workshop covering the basic camera operation, shooting techniques and project management. The Sony TRV 11 one-chip and Sony DSR-PD 100 three-chip video cameras will be covered during this workshop. This class is a prerequisite for borrowing video cameras from the Digital Media Center if you have not completed a college level video course. For more information, call 410-516-4345 or visit <http://digitalmedia.jhu.edu>.

OFF CAMPUS

7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. **32nd Street Farmers Market** in Waverly. A non-profit organization offering membership to shoppers, farmers and community residents. For more information, call 410-889-8095.

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Quota Club Antique Show** at the Ocean City Convention Center. Antiques, furniture, jewelry, collectibles. For more information, call 410-524-9000.

10:00 a.m. **Saturday Family Lecture Series** at Carrie Murray Nature Center. For more information, call 410-396-0808.

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Feast, Famine and the Female Form** at the Baltimore Museum of Art. Art therapist Julia Anderson leads a movement workshop exploring ideas about the body, its strength and its power for ages 12 and over. For more information, call 410-396-6321.

5:40 p.m. **There is Sweet Music at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen.** Hear the a cappella singing of Concert Artists of Baltimore. For more information, call 410-625-3525.

8:00 p.m. **Peabody Symphony Orchestra** at Friedberg Hall. With guest conductor, Robert Sirota, Paul MOeller on guitar and Concerto Competition Winner. For more information, call 410-659-8100.

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Bill Conti Presents A Salute to the Academy Awards at the Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall. As the Academy Awards approach, Oscar and Emmy-award winning composer and conductor Bill Conti celebrates the silver screen with music from your favorite Hollywood tunes! For more information, call 410-783-8100.

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Maryland Home and Flower Show and Craft Show at Maryland State Fair Grounds. Beautiful landscaped gardens, unique home products and services, plant sale, crafts and seminars. For more information, call 410-863-1180.

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Depression-Era Glass, China and Pottery Show at DuVal High School. Collectable depression-era glass, china and pottery will be on show and for sale. For more information, call 202-342-9021.

Interstate Coin Show at Venice Ballroom. Buying, selling, trading of coins, currency, stamps and sports cards. For more information, call 301-739-5414.

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Release of the Reds at Boordy Vineyards. Special wine tasting event highlighting newly-released red wines paired with future releases sampled straight from he barrels and enjoyed with Irish fare. For more information, call 410-592-5015 or visit <http://www.boordy.com>.

9th Annual Spring Bear and Doll Show and Sale at Historic Savage Mill. Collectable teddy bears and dolls for the young at heart; dealer space available. For more information, call 301-498-6871.

22nd Annual Antique Bottle Show and Sale at Essex Community College. East coast's largest bottle show; bottles, jugs, glass, tins, pottery, postcards, advertising for sale and much more! For more information, call 410-531-9459.

The Architecture of the Garden at the Walters Art Museum. A lecture by landscape architect James van Sweden. For more information, call 410-547-9000.

Monday, March 4

ON CAMPUS

12:00 p.m. **Executive Board Elections** at MSE, Wolman, AMR II and the Rec Center. Get out and vote from 12:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. For more information, e-mail BoE@jhu.edu or visit <http://www.jhu.edu/~ugelect>.

1:00 p.m. **Interview 251: Lab** at the Career Center, 3rd Floor of Garland Hall. JHU Applied Physics Lab will provide a mock interview for you.

4:00 p.m - 5:00 p.m. **SALON - Electronic Sensor Installation** in the Mattin Center, room 225. Demonstrations and discussion on the use of electronic sensors to enhance your digital art creation. Part of a weekly series. Snacks provided. For more information, e-mail digitalmedia@jhu.edu or visit <http://digitalmedia.jhu.edu>.

8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. **OHOH Student Digital Media Presentation** in Shaffer 3. Invited in December 2001 to participate in this unique program,

students at JHU Homewood were provided grants to create digital media projects exploring questions of religion and spirituality. The artists will be present to discuss the realization of their artistic visions. For more information, e-mail ohandshears@hotmail.com or visit <http://www.jhu.edu/~chaplain>.

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Baja Beach Club, 55 Market Pl., 410-727-0468
Bohagers, 701 S. Eden St., 410-563-7220
Brass Monkey, 1601 Eastern Ave., 410-522-0784
Buddies Pub and Jazz Club, 313 N. Charles St., 410-332-4200
Cat's Eye Pub, 1730 Thames St., 410-276-9085
Club 723, 723 S. Broadway, 410-327-8800
Fletcher's, 701 S. Bond St., 410-558-1889
Hal Daddy's, 4119 E. Lombard St., 410-342-3239
Harry's, 1200 N. Charles Street, 410-685-2828
Horse You Came In On, 1626 Thames St., 410-327-8111
Latin Palace, 509 S. Broadway, 410-522-6700
Lava Lounge, Pier Four, 410-539-7888
Ottohar, 2549 N. Howard St., 410-752-6886
Paloma's, 15 W. Eager St., 410-783-9004
Rec Room, 512 York Rd., 410-337-7178
The Fusion Nightclub, 2314 Boston St., 410-276-9556
The Vault, 401 W. Baltimore St., 410-244-6000
Waterfront Hotel, 1710 Thames St., 410-327-4886
Wyatt's, 1614 Eastern Ave., 410-732-8656

COMEDY

Comedy Factory, 36 Light St., 410-752-4189
Tracy's Comedy Shop, 9306 Harford Rd., 410-665-8600
Winchester's Comedy Club, 102 Water St., 410-576-8558

COFFEE

Borders Bookstore and Music, 415 York Road, 410-296-0791
Cafe Tattoo, 4825 Belair Road, 410-325-7427
Donna's, 3101 St. Paul St., 410-889-3410
E Level, Levering Hall, JHU, 410-516-6219
Fell's Point Cafe, 723 S. Broadway, 410-327-8800
Funk's Democratic Coffee Spot, 1818 Eastern Av., 410-276-3865
Images Cafe, 3120 St. Paul St., 410-235-3054
Margarets Cafe, 909 Fell St., 410-276-5606
One World Cafe, 100 W. University Parkway, 410-235-5777
XandO, 3003 N. Charles St., 410-889-7076
Ze Mean Bean Cafe, 1739 Fleet St., 410-675-5999

American Contract Manufacturers at the Baltimore Convention Center. Open to the public. For more information, call 1-978-744-7680.

Baltimore School for the Arts' Gala. Enjoy an evening of music, dance and theater as the students of the Baltimore School for the Arts share their amazing talents with proceeds benefiting the school. For more information, call 410-347-3043.

Tuesday, March 5

ON CAMPUS

7:00 p.m. **Break into Communications in Levering.** Great Hall. In this panel discussion, employers will share advice.

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. **OHOH - What Makes a Sacred Space Sacred** at the Bunting-Meyerhoff Interfaith Center. Rabbi Shira Lander is a dissertation fellow in the department of Religious Studies at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. With the help of a generous grant from the Jewish Chatauqua Society, she currently teaches at the University of Maryland and the Ecumencial Institute of St. Mary's Seminary, where she received the Dunning Distinguished Lecture-ship Award. For more information, e-mail ohandshearts@hotmail.com or visit <http://www.jhu.edu/~chaplain>.

OFF CAMPUS

10:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. **Tails 'N' Trails** at Gwynns Falls Trail. A program for children aged 3-5 years. For more information, call 410-396-0440.

7:30 p.m. **Moiseyev Dance Company** at the Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall. One of the giants of twentieth-century dance. For more information, call 410-783-8000.

7:30 p.m. **Preparatory Faculty Recital** at Leakin Hall at Peabody Conservatory. With works by Vieuxtemps and Schubert. For more information, call 410-659-8100.

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Wednesday, March 6

ON CAMPUS

5:00 p.m. **How to Approach the Finance Job Search** in Levering, Great Hall. Learn about resumes, interviews and the job search.

5:00 p.m. **Video Editing Using Premiere 6** in the Digital Media Center. Learn how to edit your video project using Premiere 6, the latest in non-linear editing programs. This workshop will cover project management, digitizing video footage, arranging clips on the timeline, adding transitions or effects to video clips and exporting a finished project. Other topics that will be discussed include creating titles, working with still images and editing soundtracks. For more information, call 410-516-4345, e-mail kira@jhu.edu or visit <http://digitalmedia.jhu.edu>.

8:00 p.m. **Peace-Making in Different Religious Traditions.** Can different religious traditions, each claiming to be the true faith, come together and work towards a greater peace? How do various faiths make peace with one another? Ministers from the Johns Hopkins University Homewood campus will address these and other questions in an open panel discussion. For more information, e-mail ohandshears@hotmail.com or visit <http://www.jhu.edu/~chaplain>.

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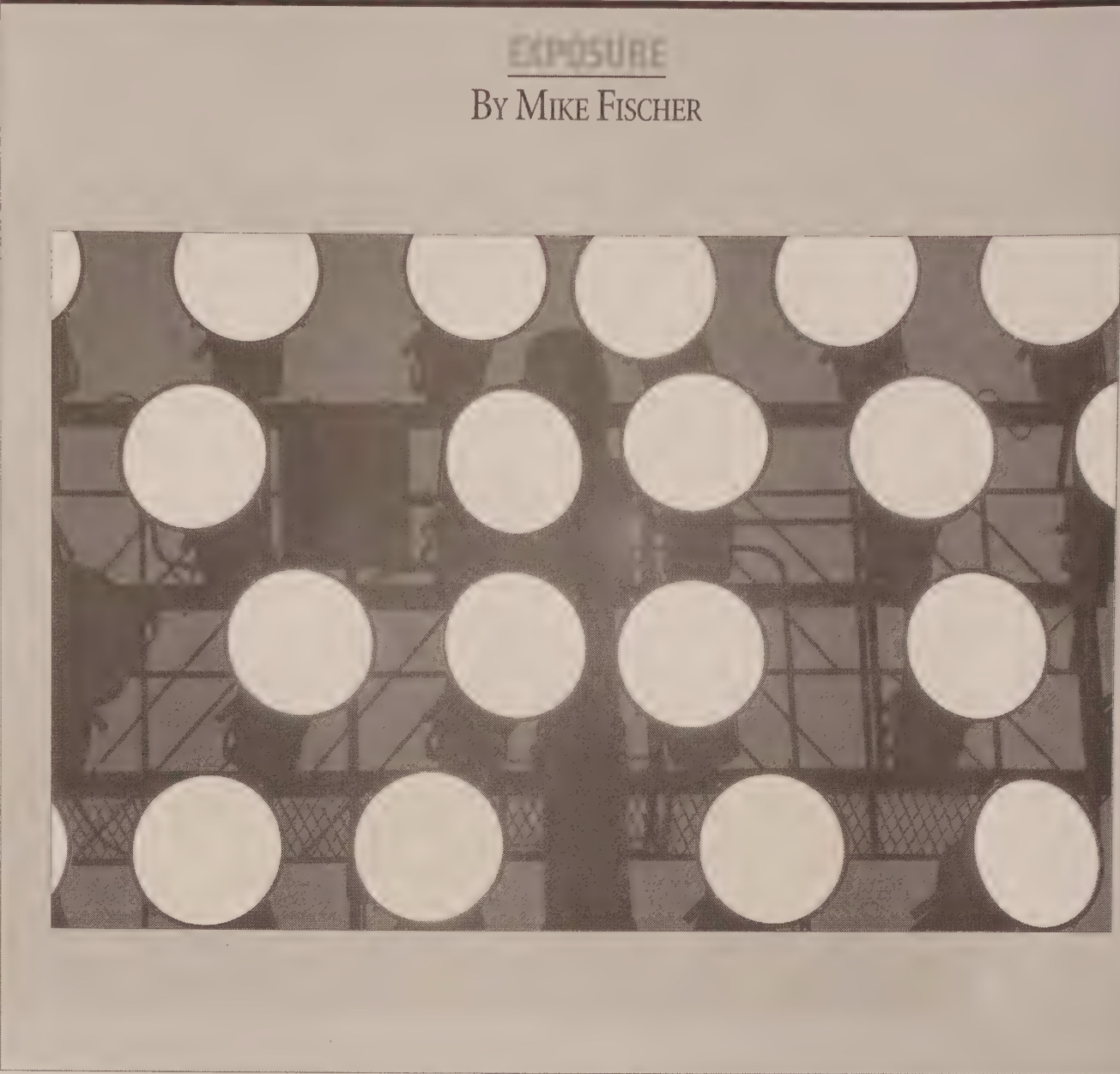
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Ongoing Events

“Seahorses: Beyond Imagination” at the National Aquarium in Baltimore. A fabulous display of almost 20 species of these elusive and exotic animals. Runs through March 10, 2002. For more information, call 410-727-FISH.

“Titanic Science” at the Maryland Science Center. Engage in a hands-on investigative process and immerse yourself in the real artifacts and the true story. For more information, call 410-685-5225. Runs through March 31, 2002.

Baltimore’s Farmers Market, a bounty of fresh fruits, vegetables, breads, smoked meats, cheeses, crafts and more fill the state’s largest producers-only market. Underneath the Jones Falls Expressway at Holiday and Saratoga Streets. Call 410-837-4636 or 800-282-6632. Sundays, 8 a.m. until sellout.

Every Sunday, the Catholic Community holds **Mass** at 11:00 a.m. in the Interfaith Center. Fr. Riepe is available to hear confessions from 10:15-11:00 a.m.

The Catholic Community gets together for **Newman Night** every Thursday evening at 6:00 p.m. in the Newman House for a free home-cooked meal followed by a fun activity.

The Jewish Student Association and Hopkins Hillel invite all to join in **Pizza and Friends.** Free pizza Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the Interfaith Center.

The **Graduate Women Support Group** meets on Friday afternoons and provides an opportunity for women from various departments to share perspectives, discuss struggles of graduate school and receive and offer support. If interested, call Anita Sharma, Psy.D., or Sara Maggitti, Psy.D., at the Counseling Center at 410-516-8278.

“From Mary Pickersgill’s Backyard” will run from Apr 21, 2001, through Dec. 1, 2001, at The Star-Spangled Banner Flag House. View artifacts from the recent excavation and see what was unearthed from the late 18th century. For more information, call 410-837-1793.

“Branches, Bristles & Batteries Exhibition” will run from June 10, 2001, through May 5, 2002, at the corner of Lombard and Greene Streets. Brushella, the tooth fairy, leads you through toothbrushes through history. Learn proper tooth-friendly foods and how to remove sticky plaque with two interactive stations. For more information, call 410-706-0600 or visit www.dentalmuseum.org.

Port Discovery’s **“HiFlyer Bal-**

loon” will run from July 1, 2001, through Dec. 31, 2001, at Port Discovery. Baltimore’s newest attraction! Let your imagination soar as you experience Baltimore from the gondola of a giant helium balloon! Tethered by a steel cable you will float 450 ft.! For more information, call 410-949-2FLY or visit www.portdiscovery.org.

Remnants of Antiquity: Coptic Textiles from Early featuring nearly eighty Coptic textiles from 4th through 13th century Egypt will run at the Baltimore Museum of Art until March 17, 2002. For more information, call 410-396-6314.

The Art of War and Peace will run at the American Visionary Art Museum until September 1, 2002. Seventh exhibition featuring images, sculptures and textile works created by peace visionaries, utopians, soldiers, civilians and witnesses to hate crimes and genocide. For more information, call 410-244-1900.

WinterEscape.org will run in Annapolis until Feb. 28, 2002. Take advantage of a variety of offerings from hotels and attractions in the county. For more information, call 410-280-0445.

The Baltimore Colts: Almost Religion will run at the Babe Ruth Birthplace and Museum until March 31, 2002. An all new exhibit focusing on the 35-year tradition of the Baltimore Colts. For more information, call 410-727-1539.

Racing Style: The Woodlawn Vase and the Preakness will run at the Maryland Historical Society until May 31, 2002. Displays photographs, a print and paintings honoring the history of horse racing in Maryland, as well as the silver trophy presented annually to the Preakness Stakes winner. For more information, call 410-685-3750.

Facing Museums will run at the Walters Art Museum until June 30, 2002. A collaboration with the Contemporary Museum of Baltimore to show works of public art. For more information, call 410-547-9000.

European Abstraction from the Collection, 1912-1914 will run at the Baltimore Museum of Art until Feb. 28, 2002. A multi-media exhibition of 35 paintings, sculptures and works on paper. For more information, call 410-396-5314.

Inner Harbor Ice Rink Skating will run until March 1, 2002. The Inner Harbor Ice Rink opens for the 2001-2002 season! With the wonderful Baltimore skyline as a backdrop, the Inner Harbor Ice Rink offers the perfect outing.

Mechanical Form/Mechanical Vi-

sion will run at the Baltimore Museum of Art until April 7, 2002. An exhibition of more than 35 photographs, paintings, sculptures and works on paper by some of the most prominent artists of the 20th century. For more information, call 410-396-6314.

Frank Trefny, Art Exhibit will run at the Steven Scott Gallery until March 3, 2002. For more information, call 410-752-6218.

Blossoms and Beauties will run at the Walters Art Museum until April 7, 2002. A colorful exhibition of Japanese works featuring cherry blossoms, flowering plums and chrysanthemums. For more information, call 410-547-9000.

Pots Presented will run at Baltimore Clayworks until Feb. 24, 2002. Featuring 43 artists curated by Nicholas Joerling. For more information, call 410-578-1919.

Winter/Spring Display will run in Wheaton until April 28, 2002. Colorful and fragrant spring flowering plants dress exhibits in imaginative and colorful designs. For more information call 301-949-8230.

Laura Burns and Lynn Silverman, Art Exhibit will run at the Maryland Art Place until Feb. 23, 2002. Exhibition of Photographs by Laura Burns and Lynn Silverman. For more information, call 410-963-8565.

Michael Platt, Art Exhibit will run at the Maryland Art Place until Feb. 23, 2002. Exhibition of Michael Platt’s drawings. For more information, call 410-962-8565.

Antique Valentine Display will run at the Surratt House Museum until Feb. 24, 2002. A salute to Valentine’s Day: displays of antique cards. For more information, call 301-868-1121.

The Closed Book: Seven Short Stories will run at The Walters Art Museum until Aug. 4, 2002. This exhibition will explore how particular markings on bindings often reveal fascinating details about the people who once owned and used these books. For more information, call 410-547-9000.

Civil War: The Maryland Story at the B&O Railroad Station Museum will run until March 31, 2002. Learn political, economic and social changes in Maryland and Ellicott City during the Civil War through living historians. For more information, call 410-461-1944.

Campus Notes

Would you like to give tours of cam-

pus to prospective students and their families? The Johns Hopkins Blue Key Society is now accepting applications for new tour guides. Freshmen, sophomores and juniors are invited to apply. You can pick up applications in the Admissions Office lobby at Garland Hall. If you have any questions, e-mail the Blue Key account at bluekey@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu or contact Jonathan Gerelu, Blue Key Advisor at admajg@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu or Stephen Kayiaros, Membership Chair at zorba@jhu.edu.

Sexual assault is a difficult topic to discuss, especially if it’s happened to you, but it does occur and it does need to be talked about so you can move on with your life. Whether it’s something that happened a while ago or more recently, we invite you to join us in an ongoing group discussion to help make sense of what happened and feel strong again. If you are interested or want more information, call Barbara Baum, Ph.D. or Michele Goldstein, M.A. at the Counseling Center at 410-516-8278.

Have family issues followed you here to college? Is someone at home ill, pressuring you too much, not calling enough, too much? The counseling center invites you to join a discussion group about handling family relationships as an undergraduate or graduate student. Topics are only limited by the number of people who come. If interested, call Larry David, Ph.D. or Michele Goldstein, M.A. at the Counseling Center at 410-516-8278.

The Counseling Center will be holding a weekly meeting for international students, undergraduate and graduate, to come and discuss shared concerns about adjusting to living in the U.S., Baltimore and Johns Hopkins. What is it like to be away from home, what are the challenges and joys of life and study in another country? We are open to any concerns that you bring to the group. If interested, call Anita Sharma, Psy.D. or Michele Goldstein, M.A. at the Counseling Center at 410-516-8278.

Grief and Loss Support Group. The Counseling Center will offer a support group for any student who has experienced the loss of a close friend, parent, sibling, grandparent or others and would like to explore the impact of that loss. If interested, contact Dr. Sara Maggitti or Ms. Rosa Kim at 410-516-8278.

Campus Notes are provided free of charge as a service to JHU-affiliated campus groups. Please submit a brief paragraph to us by Monday night at 5:00 p.m. by electronic mail (News.Letter@jhu.edu) or by dropping off a copy at our offices at the corner of Art Museum Drive and Charles Street.

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By RAPHAEL SCHWEBER-KOREN



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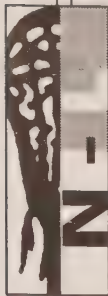
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From the editors:

To all the fans of the world's greatest lacrosse team,

Spring is slowly dawning upon us, friends. The accursed creatures we call midterms are rearing their ugly heads, to be sure. Just as surely, however, a respite has arrived. It's lacrosse season and this year, the Jays are looking good.

For the uninitiated, Hopkins lacrosse represents the continuing evolution of a century-old athletic legacy. That legacy brings with it the promise of highly skilled players and coaches and unmatched success but also the curse of potentially too-high expectations.

But with a team like this one, can any hopes be high enough? Captains Bobby Benson, P.J. DiConza, Matt Hanna and their youthful but gifted comrades bring enough game to the table to turn any match into a rout. The fortune of taking on Princeton, Syracuse and Maryland at home makes it more than possible for the Jays to run the table straight on through the NCAA tourney.

This is the season Coach Dave Pietramala determines whether he'll be the second coming of Bob Scott or just another John Haus. Pietramala returns a large crop of talented starters, which should bode well. But after last year's stunning NCAA quarterfinal loss to Notre Dame, even one of Hopkins' all-time greats won't be immune to the pressure. Coupled with the prolonged championship drought, anything less than a visit to the big game will be seen as a disappointment.

On the ladies' side, the growing pains of adjusting to Division I play are long gone now. Coach Janine Tucker looks to take her well-seasoned club deep into the post-season this time around. With solid play and a few good breaks, the Lady Jays may well assert themselves into the forefront of women's lacrosse. As always, the Maryland match will be telling. One thing's for sure, though: Whatever shadow the men's team casts, these ladies have come to cast a large one of their own over their entire sport.

The pages within serve as the ultimate fan's guide to Hopkins lacrosse. Every aspect of the game, every player, every opponent, every statistic is analyzed to the last detail. Whether you're a long time fan of the game or still wondering what a ground ball is, the N-L lacrosse guide has you covered. Just dive in.

This year, as always, the lacrosse guide you hold in your hands proved a colossal undertaking, requiring long hours of intensive research, writing, copy-editing and layout. It has undeniably been a group effort, a task we could not have completed without the aid of many, many others. A few words of appreciation are thus due to those who made the greatest contributions.

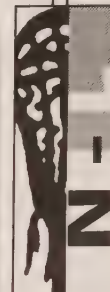
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As this is a final special issue for the both of us (one off to law school, another on to bigger, better things here at Hopkins), we'd like to express what a great pleasure it's been to serve the Hopkins community in our small way over the last few years. To all of our colleagues at the N-L, thanks for a kick-ass time. You've taught us way more about the newspaper business than we thought possible. To our loyal readers (the few, the proud), thanks for paying attention every once in a while. It is to all of you that this issue is dedicated.

With that said, let the games begin.

Smoke 'em, Jays!

Charbel J Barakat and Jeremy P. Tully
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What kind of game is this, anyway?

A guide to "the little brother of war" from someone once as puzzled as you

By S. Brendan Short

Spring comes suddenly to Baltimore, and as Hopkids swarm out of the library and onto the grass, the old Blue Jays take to Homewood Field to wield their sticks in "the little brother of war," that is to say, to play lacrosse.

As a native of New England, I knew precious little about lacrosse before I came to Hopkins. I had some vague idea that it had been invented by the Native Americans and that it was really popular at Hopkins. I remember watching TV with a friend over the summer before my freshman year and seeing a lacrosse championship game being played at Homewood. Seeing the big "H" in Columbia blue and black at the center of the turf, I exclaimed "I'm going there next year!" My friends, if I recall, rolled their eyes. After all, who cared about lacrosse?

Cut to me, three years later, having gone so far as to drive to Princeton last year to catch the opening game of the season, having sat in the bitter cold by myself, waiting to see the final outcome of the Virginia game that went into overtime; having nearly gotten in a fight with a belligerent Towson fan over some trash-talking. OK, that last one was my roommate, but I was going to back him up all the way if it came to blows.

And all this from someone who didn't even watch sports before college.

I'm probably not alone in this particular metamorphosis, but even if I was, I wouldn't mind. Not only does lacrosse give us one of those few and far-between chances to express some school spirit, but it also, for many of us, gave us our first look at a sport that has excitement, speed and a certain grace.

All that, and cross checking, too.

That having been said, I want to give here a brief primer on how to approach the game for those of you out there who are coming to it with as much, or rather, as little knowledge about it as I did.

Tip 1: Go with friends

There's nothing worse than trying to figure out what's going on and why you're supposed to be so damned excited about it when you don't have anyone else there, both to support your cheering and to serve as another set of eyes to capture that crucial play that everyone in the stadium saw and you missed. I can't tell you how many times that's happened to me, and my roommate has almost always been there to enlighten me.

Tip 2: Keep your eye on the ball

Sounds elementary, doesn't it? Nonetheless, it's important. The lacrosse ball is a little easier to keep track of than a hockey puck, which I mention only because the games are quite similar in many other respects. If you're having trouble, remember this: the guy with the ball will be twirling his stick to help keep the ball in the pocket. Also, people will be trying to hit him.

Tip 3: Watch the face-off

This is a big help when you're really lost, if only because it's a very defined moment in the game when

you can know what's going on and just cheer for our midfielder to get the ball. Plus, there's generally a good scrap to keep possession, which is always fun.

Tip 4: We want more!

You'll notice pretty quickly that whenever Hopkins scores, the band strikes up, people clap in time and then everyone counts up to the number of goals we have, then screams "We want more!" Hopefully, we'll hear that a lot this season. Clap and chant along. It's good fun. The song, incidentally, is the University's fight song, which few people know the words to anymore. There are some alums who come to every game who sing along, so cadge the words from them if you can. They were also in the index of the Compendium, back when that actually still came out on paper. Let's just say that it's an example of old-time college songwriting at its cheerily nonsensical best.

Tip 5: Why does everyone chase the ball?

You'll notice that sometimes, as the ball heads out of bounds, almost everyone on the field, regardless of which team they're on or how far they are from the ball will take off like a shot after it, even if there is obviously no chance at all that they'll make it. The reason for that is a quirky rule that is, as far as I know, unique to lacrosse. If a shot or deflected shot (as opposed to a pass) goes out of bounds, possession is awarded to the team whose player was closest to the ball when it went out. So cheer on the Jays as they run in apparently futile chase, because it will pay off if we get there first.

Tip 6: Why does the defense hang back like that?

That's in the rules too. Teams are required to keep the goalie and three other players on their own end of the field, behind the defensive line. In addition, not all the attackmen and midfielders are allowed to be behind the other team's defensive line simultaneously. I guess it could be said that doing it that way makes it more fair, but it's just something that's in the rules.

Tip 7: Hit the road

Homewood Field is a nice place, and the voice of whoever announces the games is really comforting in a weird way, but there's nothing that can really compare to the thrill of being deep in hostile territory, watching a road game. I hit Princeton for the season opener last year and also took a jaunt north to see the Jays beat Towson. Both times, it was a load of fun, particularly with all the other tailgaters (mostly adults) hanging out and partying it up in preparation for the game. This year, we're finding a grill somewhere and bringing hot dogs and beer. It's going to be a blast.

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Lady Jays continue steady climb to top of D-1 ranks

By Lindsay Saxe

The first women's lacrosse game wasn't played until the late 19th century at the St. Leonard's School in Scotland. At that time, men and women's lacrosse was played pretty much the same way—i.e., with no protective equipment and almost identical rules. While men's lacrosse rules adapted and changed over time, women's stayed almost identical to the original format. In fact, it's easy to see that from the way women's lacrosse is played today — there is limited stick and body contact allowed, hence there is no need for much protective equipment. The female lacrosse player today must be quick and adroit, with a masterful command of play strategy, foot movement and cradling.



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This year's team has come a long way since its 1976 predecessors.

In fact, a little over 20 years ago the NCAA first incorporated women's lacrosse into tournament play. The Johns Hopkins women's lacrosse team is now entering its fourth season of Division I competition, currently ranked 14th in the College Coaches Poll.

The Hopkins women have had a strong history in their short time at the Division I level, with a total of 250 wins. Their 250th win gave them the Eastern

riding ever since. Starting with a 13-5 season in 1987, the year culminated with a visit to the Division III quarterfinals. And over the next four years, they repeated that pattern. There have been a mere two times since 1987 that the Lady Jays have won less than ten games per season. Under current coach Janine Tucker, they have won ten or more games in the past eight years. Their longest Division I winning streak was eight games back in the 2000 season. However, when the Lady Jays played in Division III, they had a record of 16 wins in a row, back in 1994.

Thirty-three all-American selections from the Lady Jays have been awarded over the past 13 years, including now senior player Jamie Larrimore who was named to the 20001 Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches' All-American Team as a third team selection. That made her the second Division I All-American in JHU women's lacrosse history. The first All-American award was given to Heather Klink (First team) and Alice Collins (Second team) in 1987. Rebecca Savage was a First Team All-American in both 1993 and 1994. She is second on Hopkins' all-time goal list with 177 behind, only her teammate and fellow First Team pick Jenn Ward, who hit the nets 209 times between 1993 and 1996.

Alice Collins, a three-time Second Team All-American (1987-1989), was one of the first women to help bring Hopkins lacrosse glory. She is third on the all-time goal list with 151 and had the sixth most

season and wowed crowds with her stick handling. That tradition started by Collins and Heather Klink and their teammates in 1987 — back when the women's lacrosse team wore skirts that look more appropriate as part of a school girl uniform — paved the way for Mascuchi and today's hot crop of young talent for the Lady Jays.

Last year, the Lady Jays, who ended the year ranked 17th in the final Brine/IWLCA poll with an 11-6 mark, bested the University of Pennsylvania, 18-12, on May 13 to claim the ECAC title.



Women started playing lax at JHU in 1976.

College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division I title. Up until its induction into the NCAA, women's lacrosse was used to fill the void between field hockey seasons. Nowadays, women's teams are strong, especially in the Eastern and Mid-Atlantic regions.

The Johns Hopkins team took to the field in 1976, led by Micul Ann Morse who rallied with the Jays despite nine consecutive defeats that season. They had a tough time scoring goals, and an even tougher time defending their goal. Giving up more than ten goals a game, and scoring on average less than four per game, the Hopkins women had quite a problem to overcome. In 1979, the Hopkins women snapped into a winning season, (10-9-1,) and even made it into Division II tournament play for the first time.

In 1987, coach Sally Beth Anderson helped the Lady Jays begin a winning streak that they've been

33 Lady Jays won All-American selections over the past 13 years.

powerful offensive season in Hopkins history, netting 58 goals in 1987. Danielle Mascuchi, who graduated in 2000, became Hopkins' all-time leading scorer last season. She notched 59 goals during her senior

LADY JAYS RANKED 14 IN PRE-SEASON POLL

Lacrosse Magazine's Preseason Top 20

1. Maryland
2. Duke
3. Princeton
4. Georgetown
5. Loyola
6. North Carolina
7. Virginia
8. James Madison
9. Dartmouth
10. Syracuse
11. Cornell
12. Penn State
13. William and Mary
14. Johns Hopkins
15. Hofstra
16. Yale
17. Notre Dame
18. Old Dominion
19. Delaware
20. Boston University

Women's team took great strides in 2001 despite ups and downs

By Shayan Bardhan

The 2001 season for the Johns Hopkins Women's Lacrosse team had ups and downs that kept their closest followers guessing till the end. Entering only their third season in the NCAA Division I league, the Lady Jays had as much to prove as to learn. The season finally ended at an 11-6 record, with an Eastern Conference Championship to show and many more attributes that presented themselves during the run.

Janine Tucker coached the Blue Jays for the eight straight season. It was during that time that Coach Tucker recorded her 100th win in a game against a No. 15 ranked George Mason. A person with a wonderful personality and liked and respected by all the players, Coach Tucker has been more than instrumental in leading Hopkins to two post-seasons in its first three Division I seasons.

Hopkins' game plan was built around fast breaks and constant pressure at the opponents' cage. Controlling possession (first in division in groundballs) and forcing the opposition to create plays (9th in turnovers caused), the Blue Jays often put themselves on the scoreboard early and pushed ahead from there. However, therein lay a weakness. If the team was tied or trailing at the half, it was never able to surmount a comeback and win the game. The Blue Jays were 0-6 in such matches.

This streak became somewhat apparent from the season opener itself. Facing a strong team in North Carolina, the Lady Jays scored in the first 22 seconds of the start of the game. They soon rushed to a 3-0 lead against the No. 5 ranked team. It was an unbelievable start, considering that Hopkins were missing two starters at defense and Coach Tucker had to start many of the younger players. North Carolina soon went on a nine-goal rampage and never looked back (JHU lost 3-15). But the start and the grit of the inexperienced team held a lot for the coming season.

The Blue Jays rebounded with a victory against American and then dropped a highly emotionally charged match against William and Mary. In the latter match, JHU was tied at the half and match the W&M team even though it was missing out on a couple of starters, but failed to score more than a couple of second half goals as the Tribe pulled off a

close victory.

JHU then went on a four-game winning streak that culminated in the most thrilling of games against Brown. The Lady Jays won that game with under half a minute to spare in sudden-death overtime after being tied in regulation. The final sequence was one to be remembered for a long time. Brown won the draw control to kick-off overtime, but Hopkins kept the pressure till Brown was called for a shooting space violation. Being denied several earlier chances by the resilient Brown goalkeeper, junior Christy Peterson dished the ball off to Larrimore, who faked twice before drilling a shot to the cage.

The Lady Jays had every right to be proud of their season, even though they looked capable of going much further. Lots of young players stepped up and the team showed great resiliency, enthusiasm, gut and chemistry.

(Hopkins eventually finished 4-4 at home, 7-5 on artificial turf).

The Blue Jays faced eight Brine/IWLCA ranked teams in 2001 in an upgraded schedule. Hopkins lost the first six games against ranked teams raising many questions about a post-season bid. One of the losses included a 24-5 mauling at the hands of defending champions Maryland. The Blue Jays however re-



The women's team scrapped for wins all season long, and it paid off in wins.

bounded by upsetting Yale and George Mason, two ranked teams, before losing to a ranked Cornell in its season finale. While the loss ended all hopes for a post-season appearance, the wins against Yale and George Mason were part of a streak that placed JHU back in contention for one.

The Lady Jays were led from the front by an awesome attacking unit. Tri-captain Erin Wellner completed her junior season atop the JHU leaderboard with 63 points, leading the team in assists (21) and ranking second in goals scored (42). The trio of Erin Wellner, Jamie Larrimore (44 goals), and Heidi Pearce (41 goals) combined to more than half of JHU's goals.

Larrimore was named to the 2001 Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches' Association All-America Team, as a third team selection, becoming only the second Division I All-American in JHU women's lacrosse school history. Freshman Heidi Pierce was a pleasant surprise and revelation for all. Her stepping up to the plate at such a quick pace holds nothing but the best for the future of a developing Division I team.

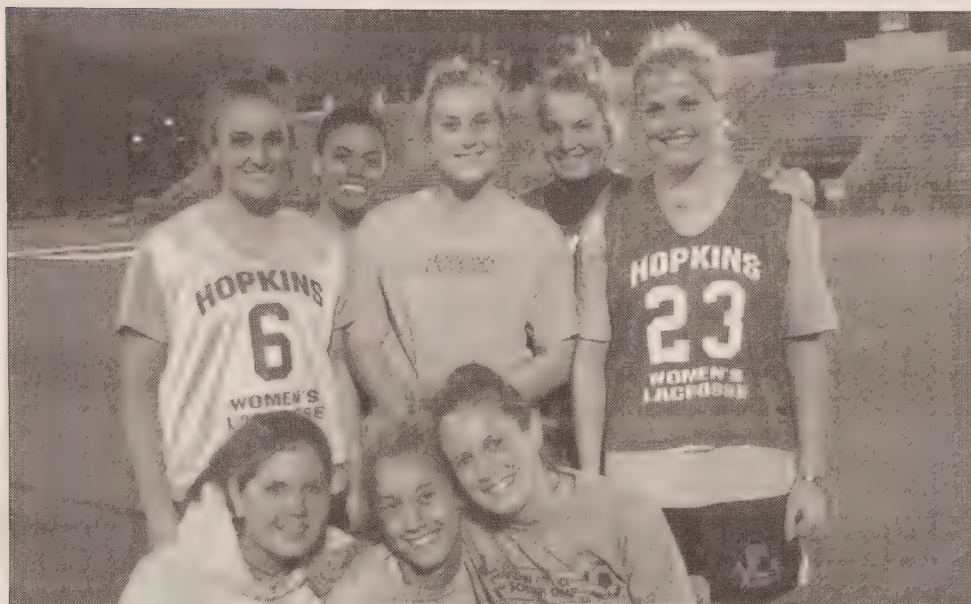
Marlena Wittelsberger and Meghan Burnett backed up the offense with a combined total of 39 points. The Blue Jays had an effective and controlling midfield comprised of Katie Stevenson, Kate Gilland and Kate Barcomb. The backfield unit that constantly forced turnovers consisted of Lauren Carney, Caroline Miller, Shanu Kohli and Candice Smith. Rachel Krom and Liz Renaut added depth to the defense reserves. Hopkins was well served by an outstanding goalkeeper in Jen McDonald who started every game in the season, collecting 161 saves.

The Lady Jays had every right to be proud of their season, even though they looked capable of going much further. Lots of young players stepped up and the team showed great resiliency, enthusiasm, gut and chemistry. Every game highlighted these characteristics and the inherent skill and talent of individual members. Hopkins will look to build on the strengths of last season and along with new members in 2002, carve out a niche for itself in Division I.

Promising 2002 season awaits the Lady Jays

By David Gonen

women



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This year's freshmen women are strong recruits and several will be vying to start on defense.

The Johns Hopkins Women's Lacrosse team has shown steady improvement in each of their seasons since they became a Division I program. In 1999, their first season in Div. I, they finished with a 10-4 record, but did not qualify for post-season play. The next year they improved to 12-6, which good enough for the post-season. They went on to advance to the ECAC Finals. Last season, Hopkins finished 11-6 and went on to win the ECAC Championship with an 18-12 victory over the University of Pennsylvania.

Hopkins is 33-16 (.663) in three years at the Division I level and 250-154-4 overall in their 26 seasons at Homewood. Their 250th win to end last season gave them their first title.

Their goals for this year are higher for this year, namely an appearance in the NCAA tournament. Currently ranked No. 14 in the U.S. Lacrosse Pre-season Poll, the team hopes to break into the top 10 this year. These goals are high for such a new Div. I program, but the team certainly has the talent this year to accomplish them.

The Lady Jays are returning at nearly full strength from last season, retaining 10 of their 11 top scorers. Most prominent of these players figure to be seniors Jamie Larrimore and Erin Wellner. Larrimore was a force on offense last year, leading Hopkins with 44 goals, 72 ground balls and 54 draw controls. She finished in the top six nationally in the last two categories. She is joined up front by her co-captain Wellner, who led Hopkins last year with 63 points and 21 assists.

"Jamie is the most explosive player on the team and the toughest to defend, and she is a terrific

shooter," Tucker remarked. "Jamie and Erin are a very lethal duo. The two of them are a tremendous combination out on the field."

While the squad is going to rely heavily on their more experienced players, several underclassmen are expected to contribute immediately to take some of the pressure off veterans like Larrimore and Wellner. Talented freshman attackers Leah Onda and Erin Riordan, as well as starting freshman defender Lacey-Leigh Hentz hope to fill this role.

Junior Meghan Burnett, who finished fourth on the team last season with 25 points on 18 goals and seven assists, will start on the JHU attack.

"Meghan's game is more suited to our new up-tempo style, and she could have a breakthrough year after two solid seasons," Tucker said.

Hopkins plans on running a more up-tempo style this season. "We are going to run the ball a lot this year," Tucker said. "We have good speed in the midfield, so we will look to push the ball on offense and play extremely aggressive defense."

The up-tempo style that Hopkins employs necessitates a talented and athletic midfield, which the Blue Jays possess in starters Heidi Pearce, Christy Peterson, and Anne Crisafulli. The explosive Pearce, who burst onto the scene as a freshman to start every game and finish third on the team with 46 points last year, will spark the transition game and be a go-to player on offense.

"Heidi is one of the most talented players to come into the Johns Hopkins women's program, and we are really looking for big things from her this season," Tucker noted.

Even though the defense lost three starters from last year, the unit still should be very strong.

Senior Caroline Miller, the only returning defender who started on a regular basis last season, will lead the defensive unit. Miller, who started 16 of 17 games a year ago and collected 41 ground balls, is a physical and aggressive player who is one of the best defenders on the team.

"Caroline has grown tremendously in our program and on the defensive end of the field," Tucker added. "She is a confident ballhandler, and she plays with a tremendous amount of passion and intensity."

After seeing action in all but one game in the Hopkins midfield last season and scoring six goals, sophomore Katie Stevenson will move back to defense in 2002. Stevenson earned a starting position with a strong showing in the off-season and last fall. "We are very comfortable with the ball in Katie's stick, and she has such speed and versatility that we can use her to shut down key opponents," Tucker said.

Kate Gilland, another sophomore who will move to the Blue Jay defense after playing in the midfield as a freshman, will also start in the backfield.

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In goal the Lady Jays should be strong this year as well, with junior Jen McDonald returning after starting in all the matches last year. She is joined by freshman Catherine Sawyer, who will be used as a backup and could see sometime in goal while splitting time with McDonald. Having two solid goalkeepers might prove important for Coach Tucker this season.

McDonald was named MVP of the ECAC Championship last year after making 13 saves against Penn. "Jen has matured tremendously over her first two years, and we have high expectations for her to run our defense this season," Tucker noted. "Jen can spark our offense by coming up with big plays in goal."

This year Hopkins will compete in the new American Lacrosse Conference and face seven teams ranked in the preseason top 20 polls. These include powerhouses like Maryland, Duke and North Carolina. JHU was recently ranked second in a preseason conference poll, placing them just behind Penn State. Penn State is the only member to participate in the 2001 NCAA Tournament. The Lady Jays have all the components for a successful season, now that they have proven their place in Division I. The Hopkins Lacrosse tradition of excellence is not just about the men's team anymore.

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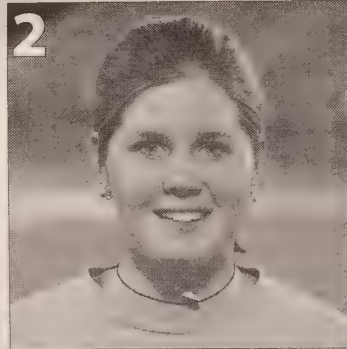
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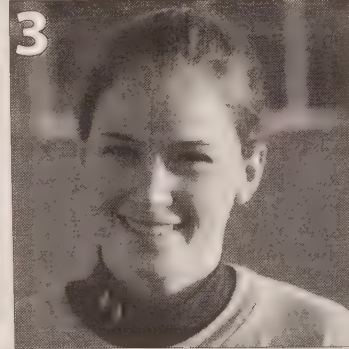
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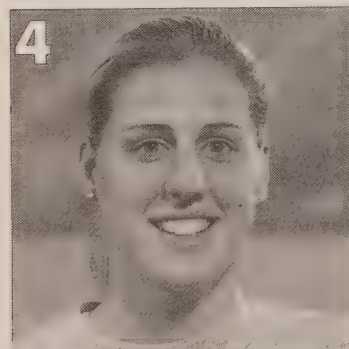
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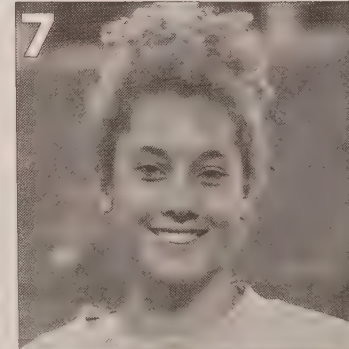
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Women's captains expect to get bid to NCAA tourney

By Eric Ridge

L leading a group of players who are rich in both experience and talent, the captains of the Women's Lacrosse team enter this year with high hopes, and they do so with good reason. After an impressive season in 2001, the Blue Jays return 10 of their top 11 scorers from last year. In addition, Hopkins welcomes back one of its three captains from last year, senior attacker Erin Wellner. She is joined by another senior, midfielder Christy Peterson, in accomplishing captain duties with Wellner.

The co-captains' enthusiasm about this season is well earned. Last year's squad had only two seniors, so nearly all of the starters this year already have played and started in a number of contests last year. Wellner expects this familiarity to help as the team enters the season.

"We are already used to playing with each other. There hasn't been much change from last year and we think that will help us a lot," said Wellner.

With this experience under their belts, nearly all of the team's starters not only played together last year but also have been part of the team as the Hopkins program has grown and begun to flourish over the past several years. It was just in 1999, when this year's seniors were only as freshman, that the Blue Jays joined Division I. Since then, Hopkins has shown marked improvement every season.

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— Erin Wellner,
Women's captain

"Our team has gotten better every year. Each season we have bigger and better players on the field," said Wellner.

According to the players, the improvement in talent has allowed head coach Janine Tucker and her staff to raise their level of performance.

"Even the coaching styles have changed over the four years. Because our talent has gotten better, our coaches can teach us more complicated things," said Peterson.

These improvements have translated in to steady progress for the women's team. In their first year in

Division I, the Jays failed to qualify for the post-season. The next year, the Jays not only made the playoffs, but they also advanced to the ECAC Finals. Last season, the Blue Jays advanced a step further, winning the ECAC Championship by defeating the University of Pennsylvania.

Now the Jays will look to make their impact felt in an even bigger way this year.

"We're still the underdogs. We are the little team that no one knows yet, but we want to make our mark for everybody to see," said Wellner.

Their aspirations for this season consist of two simple-sounding, but difficult goals.

"We expect to win our conference and get a bid to the NCAA Tournament," Wellner said.

Ambition and experience are important, but attaining these high objectives will not be easy. There will be no shortage of obstacles in the Blue Jays' way, not the least of which includes a daunting schedule that pits them against seven teams ranked in the preseason top 20 U.S. Lacrosse Preseason Polls. The No. 14 ranked Jays will also compete in the new American Lacrosse Conference where they will face stiff competition.

But in the face of the challenge that stands before them, both Wellner and Peterson embrace the test.

They are keenly aware of their duty to uphold team morale, enthusiasm and passion as team captains.

The co-captains also realize that sharing their power is no easy feat. However, Peterson and Wellner may have an edge on the competition when it comes to sharing.

In addition to their roles on the field, Wellner and Peterson are also good friends off the field; in fact,



COURTESY OF CHRISTY PETERSON
Christy Peterson and Erin Wellner pose with assistant coach Ricky Fried.

they are even roommates. Now the co-captains will lead their team into what they hope will be a season to remember.

Wellner looks to her experience as captain last year to lead her through this year.

"It's definitely a big role to have to lead the team and to be the role model. I feel like I know how to lead better after having the job last year," she said.

Peterson echoes Wellner's sentiment.

"Erin is the more outspoken one of us. She has the experience of being captain last year, and she is a great leader," said Peterson.

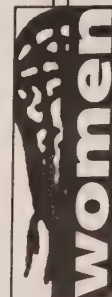
With confidence in each other, the Blue Jays co-captains now realize they can focus on beating their opponents. With the season currently just underway, Peterson and her teammates can hardly contain her enthusiasm.

"Out of my four years here, this year is our best shot to get to the NCAA Tournament. We're all really excited," Peterson said.



Large freshman contingent to bolster Lady Jays

By Jeremy Tully



An influx of youth characterizes the 2002 Women's Lacrosse team. Featuring eight freshman players, this year's version of the Lady Jays showcases much young talent that the team can build around in future years. Look for big contributions this season from these eight new additions to the team.

#9, Anne Crisafulli

From Garden City, NY, Anne Crisafulli is expected to be a key part of the Lady Jays' offense in the 2002 season. During the fall Anne provided a possible glimpse of what can be expected this year, as she was one of the team's top scorers. She plays midfield very fluidly, and is a player to watch out for. Like her teammate Julia Kleene, Anne was selected to the New York State All-Tournament team in 2000, and was an All-County selection twice.

#20, Lacey-Leigh Hentz

Baltimore native Lacey-Leigh Hentz will be an invaluable asset for the Lady Jays this season, starting on defense. Brought in to jumpstart the Hopkins women's defense, Lacey may well find herself being assigned to the opposing team's top scorer. While in high school Lacey was named to First Team *Carol County Times* and First Team *Baltimore Sun* for lacrosse. Nor is she a one-dimensional athlete — Lacey also plays soccer and enjoys skiing, although she does not ski because of her commitment to the lacrosse

team (and the risk of injury inherent in skiing).

Lacey is happy to be going to school so close to home — when applying to colleges, the furthest away she contemplated going was Syracuse, NY. A political science major, Lacey is considering law after college, but like most of us does not have any definite plans right now.

#7, Julia Kleene

The fast Julia Kleene will be making her contributions to the Lady Jays in her freshman year at midfield. From Rochester, NY, Julia enjoyed an award-filled high school career, earning All American honors in her senior year and an honorable mention to the team in her junior year. She was also named to the All-Tournament team for the Empire State games two years in a row, and was named player of the game for the state tournament in her senior year.

As for her studies, Julia has elected to pursue the unorthodox route of being a premed student while majoring in Eastern Classics. As she says, it helps not to be like everyone else when applying to medical schools. Lacrosse isn't Julia's only talent — she enjoys singing, and even performed a duet with Carly Simon when she was 12.

#33, Kristen Miller

Joining the second unit on midfield for the Women's Lacrosse team is freshman Kristen Miller.

A homegrown Baltimore product, Kristen is a strong, physical player with plenty of natural athletic ability.

During high school, Kristen was named to the All-Metro team in her senior year and led her Notre Dame team to the state championship. Kristen also possesses athletic ability in other sports, as she led her 2000 Notre Dame basketball team to the state championship and was also a field hockey standout.

#2, Erin Riordan

Joining the Lady Jays' attack is freshman Erin Riordan, a finesse player from Brightwaters, NY. In addition to her natural talent, Erin's left-handedness should help provide a different look to the Hopkins Women's offense. Erin's shot is one of the most powerful on the team, and will likely earn her plenty of playing time early in the season.

During high school, Erin was the captain of her lacrosse and soccer teams, and earned All-County honors for lacrosse during her senior year.

#23, Julia Salsich

Annapolis, MD standout Julia Salsich will thwart opponents at every turn on defense this season for the Women's Lacrosse team. Her excellent game sense and impressive strength will be assets to the Lady Jays in 2002. During high school Julia was named defensive player two years in a row, and during her senior year was named Academic All American.

Julia is undecided but is considering majoring in psychology — she told us that after Hopkins she wants to be a physical therapist. Like others on the Lady Jays, Julia comes from an athletic family — her brother plays Division I football.

#0, Catherine Sawyer

Catherine Sawyer joins the Women's Lacrosse team as their second goalie. Even in her freshman year Catherine is likely to see plenty of playing time, as her quick hands make her a formidable obstacle for even the most talented scorers. While in high school she was twice named All-American in addition to being first team All-State twice.

A New Jersey native like seemingly everyone at Hopkins, Catherine is a Public Health major — "because being a bio major is too hard." Right now she has no concrete plans for what she is going to do after college and is just focusing on having fun during her time at Hopkins.

#6, Leah Onda

Joining the 2002 team on attack will be Maryland native Leah Onda. Leah was a standout in many sports in high school, being named to All Metro and All County teams for lacrosse, All State for soccer and All County for basketball. She is expected to continue her highly successful lacrosse career in starting for the Women's Lacrosse team this season. Leah is optimistic about the Lady Jays' chances this year; as she says, "As a team we feel that we can beat every team on our schedule." Leah also notes the strong senior core of players as boding well for the Lady Jays' championship aspirations.

Lacrosse runs in Leah's family — her brother plays lacrosse as well. As far as academics, Leah is undecided right now but is considering a major in psychology.

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Women's schedule gets even tougher in 2002

By Ron Demeter

VANDERBILT

Location: Nashville, TN
Nickname: Commodores
Home Field: McGugin Athletic Center
Enrollment: 6,175
Colors: White, Black & Gold
Conference: American Lacrosse Conference
Head Coach: Cathy Swezey
2001 Record: 10-6



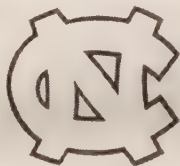
Sunday, February 24, 2002, 1:00 p.m. Home

Although the unranked Vanderbilt team may seem harmless, but the Commodores shocked the Jays with a victory on Sunday.

Vanderbilt topped Hopkins 7-4 in an opening day match-up at Homewood field. Vanderbilt led 4-2 at the half and never looked back. Sophomore Heidi Pearce scored two goals in an overall losing effort.

NORTH CAROLINA

Location: Chapel Hill, NC
Nickname: Tar Heels
Home Field: Fetzer Field
Enrollment: 24,141
Colors: Carolina Blue and White
Conference: ACC
Head Coach: Jenny Slingluff Levy
2001 Record: 10-6



Friday, March 1, 2002, 5:00 p.m. Away

Hopkins' first real test of the season will be against seasoned rival North Carolina. The Jays will have almost a week to recover from their loss to Vanderbilt. The Tar Heels finished the season 10-6. Last season the Tar Heels defeated the Jays 15-5 in their season opener at homewood field.

Along with Duke and Maryland, Carolina will be one of the toughest team they will face.

One item of note: former JHU coach John Haus now coaches the Heels.

DUKE

Location: Durham, NC
Nickname: Blue Devils
Home Field: Koskinen Stadium
Enrollment: 6,207
Colors: Royal Blue and White
Conference: ACC
Head Coach: Kerstin Kimel
2001 Record: 15-4



Sunday, March 3, 2002, noon Away

The second leg of the Women's trip down south will feature the No. 2 Duke Blue Devils. The team finished the season 15-4.

Last year the then no. 5 ranked Blue Devils defeated Hopkins 10-5, in a contest at Homewood Field.

The game will be challenging for the Jays who have to deal with a very strong Duke team.

Well, at least we're prettier than they are.

WILLIAM & MARY

Location: Williamsburg, VA
Nickname: Tribe
Home Field: Busch Field
Enrollment: 7,571
Colors: Green and Gold
Conference: Colonial Athletic Association
Head Coach: Tara Kelly
2001 Record: 9-7



Saturday, March 9, 2002, 1:00 p.m. Away

The Jays faced William & Mary for the first time last season. The Jays dropped the game 11-8 in a very close match up. Hopkins will be looking for revenge when they travel down to Williamsburg.

William & Mary finished the season with a record of 9-7 and were ranked No. 12 overall. Not bad for the oldest school in the continent south of the Mason-Dixon.

AMERICAN

Location: Washington, DC
Nickname: Eagles
Home Field: Reeves Field
Enrollment: 11,500
Colors: AU Red and Blue
Conference: Colonial Athletic Association
Head Coach: Maureen Dupcak
2001 Record: 6-9



AU EAGLES

Wednesday, March 13, 2002, 3:30 p.m. Home

Last year Hopkins toppled a weak American team 15-8 in an away game. American finished last season 6-9. After a rough three game trip to the south the Jays will be granted a reprieve when they return to Homewood field to take on an unranked American team. Barring a Bill Buckner-like choke, Hop fans can mark this one down as a victory.

DAVIDSON

Location: Charlotte, NC
Nickname: Wildcats
Home Field: Baker Sports Complex
Enrollment: 1,600
Colors: White & Black
Conference: ACL
Head Coach: Mary Schwartz
2001 Record: 7-10



Friday, March 15, 2002, 4:00 p.m. Home

Davidson will travel to Homewood to face a Blue Jay team that easily defeated them 17-6 last season on their home turf. After finishing their 2001 season 7-10

the Wildcats will try to improve. The Lady Jays will not face much competition here.

OHIO UNIVERSITY

Location: Athens, Ohio
Nickname: Bobcats
Home Field: Pruitt Field
Enrollment: 4,500
Colors: Green & White
Conference: Mid-American Conference
Head Coach: Anne Moelk
2001 Record: 18-8



Sunday, March 17, 2002, 1:00 p.m. Home

This will be the first time that the Blue Jays take on this Midwestern team. Last season the Bobcats finished 8-8.

Like Hopkins, the Bobcats resurrected their Women's lacrosse program three seasons ago, although they have not had a similar amount of success. This will be the third easy game in a row for the Jays, if any D-1 game can be called that anymore.

PENN STATE

Location: State College, PA
Nickname: Nittany Lions
Home Field: State College Yard
Enrollment: 60,000
Colors: Blue & White
Conference: Big Ten
Head Coach: Joseph P. Terno
2001 Record: 8-10



Wednesday, March 20, 2002, 5:00 p.m. Away

In a preseason poll the Penn State was ranked no. 12. Last season the Nittany Lions had a record of 8-10. This should be an interesting away game, and would require a lot of energy for Hopkins to earn a victory. Both teams are ranked in the same general area and will be playing each other for the first time.

NORTHWESTERN

Location: Evanston, IL
Nickname: Wildcats
Home Field: Evanston Fieldhouse
Enrollment: 12,000
Colors: Purple & Black
Conference: Big Ten
Head Coach: Don Cheney
2001 Record: 11-2 (Division III)



Tuesday, March 26, 2002, 2 p.m. Home

Last year the Wildcats were a club team. This is the first year that they will be playing at the varsity level. In other words, break out the white flags girls. A former club team in an away game against a nationally ranked team, the game should be an easy victory for the Jays.

The younger players will get a chance to play more minutes in this game.



RICHMOND

Location: Richmond, VA
Nickname: Spiders
Home Field: Richmond Stadium
Enrollment: 3,134
Colors: Red and Blue
Conference: Colonial Athletic Association
Head Coach: Kim Chorosiewski
2001 Record: 5-10



Saturday, March 30, 2002, 1 p.m. Away

In their first match-up, the Jays managed to spin a web around the Spiders with an easy 15-4 victory in a game at Homewood field. The home field advantage will have little effect on a Richmond team that cannot match up with a strong Blue Jay team.

OHIO STATE

Location: Columbus, OH
Nickname: Buckeyes
Home Field: Woody Hayes AC
Enrollment: 48,300
Colors: Scarlet & Gray
Conference: Great Western
Head Coach: Joe Breschi
2001 Record: 7-6



Saturday, April 6, 2002 11:00 a.m. Home

Ohio State is another unranked team from the Midwest that has never played the Blue Jays in Women's Lacrosse. Hopefully the result will be the same in all of these games, a Blue Jay victory. The Buckeyes finished the year with a record of 7-6 and will most likely become fodder against the Jays.

MARYLAND

Location: College Park, MD
Nickname: Terrapins
Home Field: Ludwig Field
Enrollment: 32,711
Colors: Red, White, Black and Gold
Conference: ACC
Head Coach: Cindy Timchal
2001 Record: 19-0



Saturday, April 13, 2001, 12 p.m. Home

The Lady Jays' only televised game is also the toughest. The Maryland Women's Lacrosse team is not just good, they are a dynasty. Seven straight championships were not enough. They are the front-runners for it again this season. Last season the Terps defeated Hopkins 24-5 in a virtual slaughter.

Thankfully, Jen Adams, arguably the best female lacrosse player ever, will not be returning. Maryland finished the season 19-0, and a miracle is needed to defeat them.

VILLANOVA

Location: Villanova, PA
Nickname: Wildcats
Home Field: Villanova Stadium
Enrollment: 5,994
Colors: Blue and White
Conference: Patriot League
Head Coach: Shannon O'Neil
2001 Record: 3-13



Wednesday, April 18, 2001, 7 p.m. Home

For the second year in a row Hopkins will face

Villanova after a tough game against Maryland. Two years ago Hopkins blew away the Wildcats with a 17-2 win. Last year the Jays slipped a little allowing 10 goals but still managed to win after netting 14. The Villanova team may have improved but they should not be a problem for an older Hopkins team.

HOFSTRA

Location: Hempstead, NY
Nickname: Flying Dutchwomen
Home Field: Hofstra Stadium
Enrollment: 12,800
Colors: Blue, Gold and White
Conference: America East
Head Coach: Carrie Bodo
2001 Record: 11-6



Saturday, April 24, 2002, 3 p.m. Away

Hofstra managed to surprise many people last season by staying in contention even after losing two regional all-Americans.

The flying Dutchwomen will try to build on last year's 12-10 victory over the Jays. They were ranked No. 19 last season and in preseason polls are ranked at No. 15. This should be an exciting away match-up.

GEORGE MASON

Location: Fairfax, VA
Nickname: Patriots
Home Field: George Mason Stadium
Enrollment: 24,010
Colors: Green and Gold
Conference: Colonial Athletic Association
Head Coach: Amy Umbach
2001 Record: 7-9



Saturday, April 27, 2002, 5 p.m. Home

Last season Hopkins defeated the No. 15 ranked Patriots with a 13-9 victory in Fairfax, Va. Behind the efforts of then Juniors Erin Wellner and Jaimie Larrimore, the Jays pulled away from a close game in the second half.

The Patriots finished the season with a 7-9 record, they managed such a high ranking due to their difficult schedule. Expect a good match up when the Patriots travel to Homewood field this year.

TOWSON

Location: Towson, MD
Nickname: Tigers
Home Field: Minnegan Stadium
Enrollment: 16,000
Colors: Gold, Black and White
Conference: America East
Head Coach: Linda Ohrin
2001 Record: 6-9



Wednesday, May 1, 2002, 7 p.m. Home

Two years ago the Tigers managed to defeat the Jays. They were so proud of their chance victory that they gloated about it in their 2001 media guide. Last season it was a different story, when the Lady Jays throttled the Tigers by a score of 13-8. Larrimore and Pearce both scored five goals each. The Tigers finished their 2001 season with a 6-9 record, losing to every ranked team they faced. This season the Jays look for another victory against a mediocre Towson team.

CORNELL

Location: Ithaca, NY
Nickname: Big Red
Home Field: George Mason Stadium
Enrollment: 24,010
Colors: Green and Gold
Conference: Ivy League
Head Coach: Jenny Graap
2001 Record: 11-4



Saturday, May 4, 2002, 12 p.m. Home

Cornell is the only Ivy League team the Blue Jays will face this season. While Cornell may not match up to the other Ivys in terms of their admissions, their Women's Lacrosse team is arguably one of the strongest. The preseason No. 11 Big Red will try for their second straight NCAA tournament berth. The Big Red will try to improve upon their 11-4 record by returning 11 of their 12 starters. This game will be a doozy.

The brunt of Cornell's offense returns this year from the team that finished the season with the all-time best record for a Cornell Women's Lacrosse team.



Tucker leading Women's Lax to Division I glory

After winning the ECAC championship, the women are hungry for some NCAA tourney competition and a top 10 ranking.

By David Gonen

Women's Lacrosse head coach Janine Tucker is beginning her ninth season with Johns Hopkins. She took over the program in 1993 and has steered the team's smooth transition from Div. III to Div. I. She sports an impressive 101-32 (0.759) record overall, already giving her the second most wins in school history.

Last year she took the team to an 11-6 record and a No. 17 ranking in the final Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association poll. The season featured two victories over ranked opponents, including their last match against No. 15 George Mason, which they won 13-9. Tucker is "very pleased" with last season's results. Hopkins won the ECAC championship last season, their first title since moving into Div. I. They defeated Penn 18-12 to capture the trophy.

"Winning the ECAC was terrific," said Tucker. "I feel like it was a good stepping stone from the last year." That year, the 2000 season, Hopkins reached the ECAC finals in their first Div. I postseason appearance. In 2000, JHU was 12-6 and finished ranked No. 16, their highest ranking for the program in its

three years in Div. I. In their inaugural Div. I Season, the Blue Jays posted a 10-4 mark. In all of Tucker's eight seasons at Hopkins, the team has won 10 or more games.

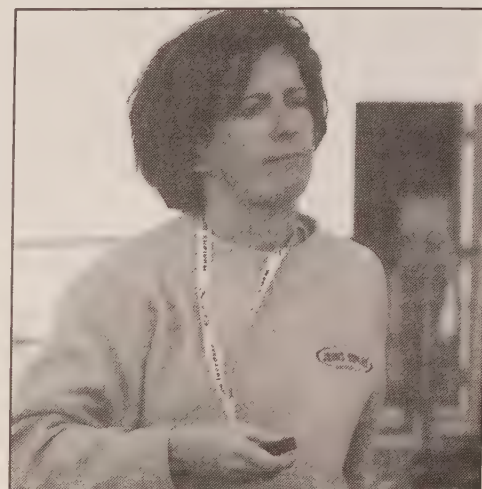
When the team still competed in Div. III, the team reached the semifinals or finals for three times in five seasons. In her first year coaching the team, Hopkins recorded its best season ever with a 16-1 mark in the regular season and advancing to the NCAA Div. III semifinals. In Hopkins' five years in the Centennial Conference, the team posted an astonishing 49-1 record, won four conference titles, and finished undefeated in conference play in each of its four championship seasons.

But the switch to Div. I has certainly been the most significant event for Hopkins women's lacrosse. "It was a tremendous experience being elevated from Div. III to Div. I," said Tucker.

Being elevated into a new division carried with it an elevation in intensity, pressure for recruiting and of course, winning. "But it is just amazing to be playing at the highest level of lacrosse," said Tucker.

Tucker has some definite goals laid out for the program's future. "We want to be a top 10 team, and play in the NCAA tournament regularly," explained Tucker.

The team is also a member of a new conference this season, the American Lacrosse Conference (ALC).



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Head coach Janine Tucker leads with a sure hand.

The objective there is clear, as Tucker says the goal is to win the conference title.

Having some outstanding players on the field has helped Tucker achieve her success with the program. She has coached 13 All-Americans and 33 All-Centennial players at Hopkins, including Div. I All-American selections Danielle Maschuci (2000) and Jamie Larrimore (2001). Also, four Blue Jays were named Centennial Conference Players of the Year: Rebecca Savage in 1994, Francine Brennan in 1996, Mary Ann McGuir in 1997 and Anita Patibandia in 1998. And this year's players should continue this trend. "I am super excited about the players we have out there," said Tucker.

Recruiting is a major part of any serious Div. I sport, as Tucker has found out in the past few years. Since changing to Div. I, the program has fielded several strong recruiting classes. Recruiting for these past few seasons is a new aspect of the job for Tucker.

"We do a lot of recruiting at the end of the summer to the fall," explained Tucker. "It was not nearly as intense or competitive when we were still Div. III. But the lacrosse tradition here has given us a good leg up."

Tucker herself graduated from Loyola College in 1989, having had a successful career as an All-American lacrosse player. She started off coaching as an assistant for Loyola. She coached at that prominent Div. I power for four successful seasons, until the head coaching position opened up across town here at Hopkins.

Tucker was inducted into the Loyola College Athletic Hall of Fame in March of 1998. She is involved with the promotion of women's lacrosse through constant speaking engagements and coaching clinics. She is the director of the Johns Hopkins All-Star Girls Lacrosse Camp each summer and the co-director of the Elite 300 camp. The camp's purpose is to bring together and instruct the nation's top high school girls lacrosse players.

Tucker is married to John Tucker, a former Hopkins and United States World Team lacrosse standout who is currently the boys' lacrosse coach and athletic director at nearby Loyola Blakefield. The former head coach at perennial prep power Gilman, Tucker also coached the Pittsburgh Crossfire of the National Lacrosse League. The Tuckers have two sons, Ryan and Devin.

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3/7	American	W 15-8	Washington, DC	100
3/9	William & Mary	L 8-11	Baltimore, MD	250
3/11	Lehigh	W 18-2	Baltimore, MD	200
3/14	Mount St. Mary's	W 20-1	Baltimore, MD	200
3/18	Davidson	W 17-6	Davidson, MC	150
3/23	Brown	W 12-11 (OT)	Providence, RI	50
3/25	Duke	L 5-10	Baltimore, MD	250
3/31	Richmond	W 15-4	Baltimore, MD	250
4/8	Hofstra	L 10-12	Baltimore, MD	300
4/14	Maryland	L 5-24	College Park, MD	1960
4/18	Villanova	W 14-10	Villanova, PA	125
4/25	Towson	W 13-8	Towson, MD	175
4/28	Yale	W 13-6	Baltimore, MD	300
5/1	George Mason	W 13-9	Fairfax, VA	125
5/5	Cornell	L 5-8	Ithaca, NY	300
5/13	Pennsylvania	W 18-12	Baltimore, MD	225

Record	W	L	Pct.
All Games	11	6	.667
Home	5	4	.818
Away	6	2	.333
Neutral	0	0	0.000
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01 Facts & Stats

Scoring									
	Games Played/Started	Shots	FP	Goals	Assists	Pts	Ground Balls	Fouls	Mins Played
Erin Wellner	16-16	80	18	42	21	63	66	10	880
Jamie Larrimore	17-17	126	14	44	17	61	72	16	905
Heidi Pearce	17-17	105	12	41	5	46	63	23	772
Meghan Burnett	16-16	43	11	18	7	25	51	10	835
Erinn Dennis	16-16	43	10	17	4	21	46	43	636
Christy Peterson	17-17	33	8	12	3	15	45	19	754
M. Wittelsberger	17-16	32	6	10	4	14	56	8	877
Liz Holland	14-3	13	0	5	4	9	21	4	372
Katie Stevenson	16-0	10	0	6	0	6	15	11	325
Kate Barcomb	5-0	7	0	2	4	6	4	2	110
Kate Gilland	16-2	8	0	5	0	5	17	8	410
Marisa Baldwin	10-0	7	1	3	1	4	9	3	180
Carolina Bellino	4-0	4	0	1	0	1	2	4	72
Liz Renaut	11-0	0	0	0	0	1	6	5	179
Jen McDonald	17-17	0	0	0	0	0	34	2	996
Lauren Carney	17-17	0	0	0	0	0	29	14	894
Anne Clark	9-5	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	297
Shanu Kohli	17-17	0	0	0	0	0	40	52	953
Caroline Miller	16-16	1	0	0	0	0	41	48	867
Kim DiConza	3-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33
Rachel Krom	14-1	0	0	0	0	0	27	11	377
Candace Smith	14-11	0	0	0	0	0	16	21	624
JHU	18-18	512	80	206	71	277	668	322	12348
Opponents	18-18	416	72	157	61	218	444	197	12348

Goaltending									
	GP-GS	Min	Saves	GA	Pct.	GAA			
 Kim DiConza	3-0	33	4	3	.571	5.45			
Jen McDonald 	17-17	996	161	154	.511	9.28			
JHU	17-17	1029	165	157	.512	9.15			
Opp.	17-17	1029	191	206	.481	12.01			

Scoring by Period				
	1	2	OT	Total
JHU	111	93	2	206
Opp.	77	79	1	157

Statistics by Period				
Shots:				
	1	2	OT	Total
JHU	253	245	15	512
Opp.	214	200	2	416
Ground Balls:				
	1	2	OT	Total
JHU	316	340	12	668
Opp.	221	217	6	444

Free Position Shots:				
	1	2	OT	Total
JHU	40	36	4	80
Opp.	32	40	0	72

Turnovers:				
	1	2	OT	Total
JHU	128	146	0	274
Opp.	141	122	2	265

Saves:				
	1	2	OT	Total
JHU	91	74	0	165
Opp.	89	94	8	191

Fouls:				
	1	2	OT	Total
JHU	151	170	1	322
Opp.	99	140	3	197

Draw Control:				
	1	2	OT	Total
JHU	103	94	2	199
Opp.	97	92	1	190



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2002 MEN'S LACROSSE SCHEDULE

MARCH 2	PRINCETON	1:00 P.M.
MARCH 9	@ HOFSTRA	1:30 P.M.
MARCH 16	SYRACUSE	1:00 P.M.
MARCH 23	@ VIRGINIA	3:00 P.M.
MARCH 26	ALBANY	5:00 P.M.
MARCH 29	NORTH CAROLINA	7:30 P.M.
APRIL 2	@ VILLANOVA	7:00 P.M.
APRIL 6	@ OHIO STATE	1:00 P.M.
APRIL 13	MARYLAND	3:00 P.M.
APRIL 20	@ NAVY	NOON
APRIL 27	TOWSON	1:00 P.M.
MAY 4	@ LOYOLA	1:00 P.M.



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2002 WOMEN'S LACROSSE SCHEDULE



FEBRUARY 24	VANDERBILT	1:00 P.M.
MARCH 1	@ NORTH CAROLINA	5:00 P.M.
MARCH 3	@ DUKE	NOON
MARCH 9	@ WILLIAM & MARY	1:00 P.M.
MARCH 13	AMERICAN	3:30 P.M.
MARCH 15	DAVIDSON	4:00 P.M.
MARCH 17	OHIO UNIVERSITY	1:00 P.M.
MARCH 20	@ PENN STATE	5:00 P.M.
MARCH 26	NORTHWESTERN	2:00 P.M.
MARCH 30	@ RICHMOND	1:00 P.M.
APRIL 6	OHIO STATE	11:00 A.M.
APRIL 13	MARYLAND	NOON
APRIL 17	VILLANOVA	7:00 P.M.
APRIL 24	@ HOFSTRA	3:00 P.M.
APRIL 27	GEORGE MASON	5:00 P.M.
MAY 1	TOWSON	7:00 P.M.
MAY 4	CORNELL	NOON

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Men's team has 119 years of history backing it up

From humble, 19th-century beginnings to the Olympic Gold Medal in 1928 and 1932, JHU lax has done it all

By Charbel Barakat

The tradition of excellence set forth by Johns Hopkins lacrosse is as long and storied as the academic institution itself. In sending the nation's best opposition to repeated defeat for the past 119 years, the Blue Jays have deservedly developed a reputation for combining physical strength and mental toughness to deadly effect. Along the way, the team has amassed a record of collective and individual accomplishments that remains unparalleled in the annals of college sport.

On a cold, snowy day in 1883, coach Elgin Gould assembled a young team of athletes eager to learn a game whose origins dated to pre-Columbian times. Though the inexperienced team would lose its first and only match to Druids, 0-4, they would be remembered as the men that blazed the trail for over a century of world-class lacrosse teams.

After a four-year absence from the university, men's lacrosse finally earned its first win in 1888 against Pattersons, 6-2. A spectator at the time could have hardly imagined the achievements to come. Over 1000 games have followed since then, and today the Blue Jays stand on the verge of their 800th victory. No other team in the country even approaches such a total.

From those humble beginnings, the Blue Jays have gone on to win an incredible 42 national championships and a record seven NCAA Championships, the first coming in 1891 and the most recent in 1987. Such dominance of a sport by one school over so long a period is unheard of anywhere. By comparison, the University of Notre Dame football squad has been awarded a share of the national championship only 19 times and the UCLA Men's basketball team just 11 times.

Remarkably, Johns Hopkins has participated in every NCAA men's lacrosse championship since the tournament's inception in 1972. This JHU streak is the longest by any team in any Division I sport. Only four times has the team been seeded any lower than fourth in the tourney's entire 28-year history.

The Blue Jays have finished the season undefeated 11 times in school history, the last time in 1984. No other college lacrosse program has had more all-time victories, national championships or All-Americans than Johns Hopkins.

As well as dominating the NCAA, the Johns Hopkins lacrosse team has represented the United States in the Olympics twice, in 1928 and 1932. In 1928, the Hopkins team shared the gold medal with Canada (!) and was the exclusive winner in 1932. Hopkins lacrosse remains the only college team ever sent to represent the United States at an Olympic Games.

These outstanding teams have produced some of the greatest athletes in the history of college lacrosse. From Douglas Turnbull in 1922 to A.J. Haugen and Dan Denihan in 2000, Hopkins has produced a national record 167 First Team All-Americans. That is just short of the combined totals of Syracuse, Princeton and Virginia. Only Maryland, with 106



Celebrations have been frequent during Hopkins' lacrosse history. Nobody can match our success.

first teamers, comes remotely close to Hopkins' record on its own.

Johns Hopkins has had at least one player earn First Team All-America honors in 28 of the last 29 years and 71 of the past 79 years in which the team has been selected. This includes 1944, when JHU did not field a team due to the Second World War. In addition, with six All-American selections in 2000, Hopkins has now had at least five All-Americans in each of the last six seasons and 27 of the last 28.

These outstanding individuals have lent their talents to create teams that have always been greater than the sum of their parts. Any list of all-time Hopkins greats must include Terry Riordan (1995), whose career goals (184) and total points (247) remain team records as well as all-time assists leader Dave Marr (1996, 134 assists) and Jonathan Marcus (1996), whose 877 career saves appear as unbeatable as Cal Ripken's Ironman streak. Other notables include four-time First Team All-America goalie Quint Kessenich (1990), the punishing defenseman Church Yearley (1934) and the team's famed face-off specialist Jerome Schnydmann (1967), who remains at Hopkins as spe-

cial assistant to University President William Brody.

These great players have always been brought to even greater heights by the sharp minds and careful teaching of many of the sport's greatest coaches. The team has had 22 coaches from Elgin R. I. Gould in 1883 to our current mastermind, David Pietramala.

Among the many outstanding coaches include Bob Scott, who coached the Blue Jays from 1954 to 1974 (longer than any other coach) and won a school record 158 matches and "Father" Bill Schmeisser, a Lacrosse Hall of Fame inductee in 1957, who won eight national championships in his 10 years as Blue Jays head coach intermittently from 1902 to 1925.

Few teams across the country possess the rare combination of talent, coaching and desire necessary to succeed at Division I lacrosse. Rarer still are those that have sacrificed enough to win consistently, year after year. Indeed, over the decades, as college lacrosse has grown even more sophisticated and expanded across the nation, only Johns Hopkins University lacrosse has remained at the pinnacle of the game, an exemplar of greatness to which all others strive to match but none ever exceed.

01 Facts & Stats

Scoring by Period

	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
Johns Hopkins	25	36	36	31	0	128
Opponents	23	26	25	33	1	108

Statistics by Period

Shots:	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
JHU	98	122	110	107	7	444
Opponents	97	104	103	108	8	420

Saves:	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
JHU	33	32	36	36	3	146
Opponents	44	41	40	40	3	162

Turnovers:	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
JHU	10	32	38	35	2	147
Opponents	44	30	39	39	2	154

Faceoffs Won:	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
JHU	33	42	40	34	3	152
Opponents	28	27	30	40	1	126

Clears:	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
JHU	57	50	54	49	2	212
Opponents	61	57	55	58	5	234

Ground Balls:	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
JHU	126	111	138	109	7	491
Opponents	78	102	93	98	4	367

Failed Clears:	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
JHU	9	15	15	7	0	46
Opponents	14	14	14	24	0	66

Goaltending

	P-GS	Min	Saves	GA
R. Scherr	12-12	718:15	145	145
N. Murtha	1-0	15:00	1	1

Face-offs

	Won	Attempts	Win %
C. Denihan	4	12	.333
F. Wedin	261	148	.567
S. Nadelin	1	0	.000
P. Miller	4	0	.000

Date	Opponent	Score	Site	Attendance
3/3	Princeton	L 4-8	Princeton, NJ	4125
3/10	Hofstra	W 7-6	Baltimore, MD	2100
3/17	Syracuse	W 11-10	Syracuse, NY	7422
3/24	Virginia	L(4OT) 8-9	Baltimore, MD	2820
3/31	North Carolina	W 12-4	Chapel Hill, NC	1825
4/3	Villanova	W 11-7	Baltimore, MD	653
4/7	Ohio State	W 17-7	Baltimore, MD	2097
4/14	Maryland	L 9-10	College Park, MD	7219
4/21	Navy	W 13-11	Baltimore, MD	6136
4/28	Towson	W 14-13	Towson, MD	4073
5/5	Loyola	W 13-10	Baltimore, MD	3970

NCAA Tournament:

5/20	Notre Dame	L 9-13	College Park, MD	10118
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Scoring

	Games Played/Started	Shots	Goals	Assists	Pts	Ground Balls	Penalties
Bobby Benson	12/12	72	28	14	42	35	3 for 2.0 min
Adam Doneger	12/10	61	10	12	30	27	3 for 3.0 min
Conor Ford	12/8	33	22	6	28	23	1 for 0.5 min
Conor Deinhan	12/11	69	16	7	23	22	9 for 7.5 min
Eric Wedin	12/8	49	13	9	22	117	6 for 5.0 min
Joe McDermott	11/6	33	7	10	17	21	1 for 1.0 min
Tim Muir	10/6	33	7	3	10	22	3 for 2.0 min
Matt Hanna	12/8	33	8	1	9	10	3 for 3.0 min
Rob Frattarona	0/0	31	3	6	9	11	1 for 1.0 min
Kevin Boland	12/2	11	1	6	7	9	0 for 0.0 min
Frank Potucep	11/0	4	3	0	3	2	2 for 1.5 min
Corey Harned	12/0	4	11	1	2	21	1 for 1.0 min
Shown Nadelin	12/12	2	0	1	1	40	4 for 3.5 min
Ryan Quinn	9/1	10	0	0	1	0	0 for 0.0 min
P.J. DiConza	7/0	1	0	0	1	19	2 for 2.0 min
Brendan Shook	12/12	0	0	0	0	15	4 for 3.0 min
Brandon Tesla	12/12	0	0	0	0	35	4 for 3.0 min
Rob Schorr	12/12	0	0	0	0	39	0 for 0.0 min
Michael Peyser	12/0	0	0	0	0	20	5 for 3.5 min
Kevin Conry	10/0	0	0	0	0	2	2 for 1.5 min
Matt Stoffel	5/0	0	0	0	0	1	0 for 0.0 min
Pat Miller	4/0	0	0	0	0	0	0 for 0.0 min
Noah Hunt	2/0	0	0	0	0	0	0 for 0.5 min
Dan DePietro	4/0	0	0	0	0	0	0 for 0.0 min
Steve Gould	2/0	0	0	0	0	0	0 for 0.0 min
Ryan Sutton	1/0	0	0	0	0	0	0 for 0.0 min
Nick Murtha	1/0	0	0	0	0	0	0 for 0.0 min
Con Roufanis	1/0	0	0	0	0	0	0 for 0.0 min
Alex Brown	1/0	0	0	0	0	0	0 for 0.0 min
Kyla Szymanczyk	1/0	0	0	0	0	0	0 for 0.0 min
Tom Bloomer	1/0	0	0	0	0	0	0 for 0.0 min
JHU	12-12	444	128	78	206	491	54 for 44.0 min
Opponents	12-12	420	108	63	171	367	54 for 46.0 min



2001 season marked return to dominance for Blue Jays

By Eric Ridge

In their first season under a new head coach, and boasting a squad rich with talented freshmen and sophomores, the Johns Hopkins Men's Lacrosse team began last year's season with high expectations. But the 2001 season did not begin the way that many had hoped. The Blue Jays got off to a rough start with an 8-4 loss to Princeton in what was Pietramala's first game as Head Coach. Hopkins fell behind 4-0 in the game and the Blue Jays were never able to close the gap, despite out-shooting Princeton 13-1 in the fourth quarter and winning the ground ball war in the game 34-25.

Hopkins had its home opener just a few days later against No. 16 Hofstra and barely escaped an upset with a 7-6 win. In a game that saw five lead changes and five ties, the Jays rallied back from a 2-0 deficit early in the game to score two goals in the final 3:25 to win. First, freshman attackman Joe McDermott assisted sophomore attackman Bobby Benson with a goal to tie the game at 6-6. Then, with 1:42 remaining in the game, McDermott fed sophomore attackman Adam Doneger for the winning goal. In the game, the Jays collected their first victory under coach Pietramala and improved their record to 1-1.

In triumphant fashion, in a game that would be remembered as one of several pinnacles of the Blue Jays' season, Hopkins traveled to upstate New York and upset the No. 1 Syracuse Orangemen 11-10. Senior midfielder Eric Wedin, who would go on to win

the hands of Head Coach David Pietramala, who defeated Syracuse in 2000 when he coached Cornell.

But the Blue Jays win streak would not reach a third game. Following their upset of Syracuse, Hopkins was defeated in heartbreaking fashion as the Jays fell to the University of Virginia in quadruple overtime by a score of 9-8. The Jays squandered a second quarter 5-1 lead and they ultimately lost 1:15 into the fourth overtime to drop their record to 2-2.

The upset by Virginia seemed to awaken No. 5 Hopkins and they went on to win their next three games. They began their winning streak by easily defeating the No. 14 University of North Carolina by a score of 12-4. The win marked Hopkins' seventh straight victory against UNC in as many meetings. Next, they battled Villanova and fell behind early, but rallied to a 9-5 advantage en route to an easy 11-7 win. The Jays increased their winning streak in the month of April to a remarkable 25 games, lengthening a stretch spanning over several seasons.

In the following game, the Blue Jays won their third in a row, by defeating Ohio State to improve to 5-2 on the season. Among the highlights was a 13-0 scoring run by the Jays in the second and third quarters that led to the final score drubbing of 17-7.

After the win, the Jays received some good news as they climbed to No. 2 in the national rankings heading into a match up with the University of Maryland, a perennial powerhouse.

Against Maryland, however, Hopkins faltered in the fourth quarter as they lost 10-9 and ended their three game winning streak. Not to be deterred, and preparing to face the No. 13 ranked Naval Academy for their homecoming game, the Blue Jays set their sights avenging their loss from the game prior. The Jays succeeded with their 13-11 victory over the Midshipmen, and in doing so, they improved their record to 6-3. The win did not come easily for the Jays who fell behind 3-0 early in the game. But they Jays quickly recov-

ered and took the lead 7-6 with just under 2 minutes remaining in the first half. Navy later tied the game at 8-8, but that was as close as they would get, and the Jays soon pulled ahead for the victory.

The following week, battling the No. 10 Towson Tigers, Hopkins almost let a big lead slip away but instead held off the Tigers' charge to win by a score of 14-13. Leading 10-5 at halftime, the Blue Jays appeared poised to put the game away and send Towson home with a loss. But a complacent second-half nearly turned the Jays' regular season-ending game into a disaster. In the end, Hopkins managed to control the ball with a minute remaining and a one-shot lead to nail down not only the victory, but also the team's 30th consecutive appearance in the NCAA tournament, earning the No. 4 seed which ensured them a bye in the tournament for the 5th straight season.

When they finally did play, the Jays were pitted against No. 7 Loyola. Despite the tough competition, the Jays were able to rally behind the talent of their freshman and sophomores, who accounted for 11 of the team's 13 goals in their 13-10 victory.

Advancing to the next round, Hopkins met its match against No. 5 Notre Dame in the NCAA quarterfinals game played at Byrd Stadium in College Park, Maryland. The fifth-seeded Fighting Irish were able to pull out the upset of the fourth-seeded Blue Jays with a 5-1 run to break an 8-8 tie.

The game ended Coach Pietramala's first season earlier than the team had hoped, but also capped an excellent season for the Jays. In addition to defeating the No. 1 team in the country during the year, and earning the school's 30th straight NCAA appearance, the Jays also battled through the toughest schedule in the nation according to LaxPower.com and Face-Off 2001 Lacrosse Yearbook. With such accomplishments and after relying heavily on freshman and sophomore players during the year, many have high hopes for this 2002 season. For now, the pre-season nationally-ranked No. 3 Blue Jays will do their best to live up to expectations this season.

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2nd team All-American honors at the end of the season, scored a game-high five goals and also provided one assist to propel the Jays to victory. The Blue Jays managed to end Syracuse's 11-game winning streak and win their second in a row thanks in part to Wedin's goal scoring and the superb performance of the Hopkins defensive team, which allowed only 10 goals on 54 shot attempts by the No. 1 team in the country. In an ironic twist, the Orangemen lost for the second time in 20 games and both losses were at



During last year's season, the Jays beat the country's top team.

FILE PHOTO

Jays face tough schedule in quest for a national championship

By Cara Gitlin

With the start of 2002 season just days away, the Hopkins men's lacrosse team is poised and set to storm the confines of Homewood Field and renew one of the game's best rivalries. Defending National Champion Princeton comes to town on March 2 to kick off the season, and the Blue Jays are ready for them.

JHU's No. 3 ranking to start the season is both an honor and a disadvantage.

Especially when coupled with the tradition of high-caliber lacrosse at Hopkins, "a lot of teams circle you out on their calendar as their big game," said junior Bobby Benson, one of the five captains on the 2002 squad. Benson will start on attack and will be backed by fellow captains Adam Doneger and Matt Hanna at midfield, P.J. DiConza at long stick midfield and Nick Murtha in the goal.

Last year's team earned a No. 4 seed in the NCAA tournament but was beaten by fifth-seeded Notre Dame in the quarterfinals. They finished the year with a record of 8-4.

This year's goal is very clear: "To win a national championship is obviously our first priority," said junior Doneger a sentiment echoed by both Benson and DiConza, a senior.

"Our goal every year is to compete for a national championship and win a national championship," said Benson.

The Blue Jays intend to be well-prepared for their title run by facing a long line of top-quality opponents. "We play the toughest schedule in the country," said Benson.

The season opens with the customary game against Princeton, which will be played at home this year.

"There's no better way to begin the season than to play the defending National Champions at Homewood Field," said Doneger.

"We graduated 16 seniors, and we brought in 16 freshmen. The majority of our freshmen are going to be starting or playing a substantial amount of time."

— Team captain
P.J. DiConza

Princeton is ranked No. 1 to start off the season coming off of their National Championship win, and the whole team is looking forward to facing the nation's best. "Everyone knew that we were going to be the first team to have a chance to play them," said freshman Chris Watson.

The two teams squared off last year in a season-opening contest at Princeton, which the Jays lost by a score of 8-4. The 2002 Blue Jays schedule features nine teams ranked in the pre-season Top 25. In addition to top-ranked Princeton, they will face the likes

of No. 2 Syracuse, No. 4 Towson, No. 5 Maryland, No. 8 Loyola, No. 10 Hofstra, No. 13 North Carolina, No. 14 Navy and No. 22 Ohio State.

"There's no point in easing into it; we like to jump right in," said DiConza. This will require Hopkins to have their guard up at all times.

"In order to be the best, you have to beat the best, so you might as well play all the top programs," said Doneger.

No one seems to be questioning the value of such strenuous tests week after week.

"I love playing the tough schedule," said Benson. The players don't want to face very many lesser opponents, since "you only get about 50 games in a college career," noted Benson.

"If we weren't playing such a hard schedule you wouldn't feel content... It makes you contend to your highest abilities," said freshman Kyle Barrie. With so many talented opponents, it is difficult for the players to pick games that stand out on the schedule.

"Close schools like Loyola and Towson, they're pretty exciting. It seems like we have a big turnout for those games," said DiConza. JHU will face Towson at home and Loyola on the road in the last two games of the regular season, on April 27 and May 4, respectively.

Two of the bigger road games for the Blue Jays will be trips to Virginia on March 23 and Ohio State on April 6. DiConza noted that the team will be flying to Ohio State, which will be their first time traveling out there.

Hopkins graduated a large number of seniors from last season, which will leave some holes.

"We graduated 16 seniors, and we brought in 16 freshmen. The majority of our freshmen are going to be starting or playing a substantial amount of time," said DiConza.

One of the most positive aspects of this year's team is "the excitement and the enthusiasm that a lot of the new players bring to our squad," said Benson.

A few of the outstanding members of the freshmen class include Watson, a defenseman; Barrie and Peter Lesueur, both attackmen, and Kyle Harrison, midfield.

The freshmen as a whole are being counted on to contribute immediately.

"They're not really playing like freshmen so we're trying not to treat them like freshmen," said DiConza.

Benson highlighted Barrie and Lesueur, who he will play alongside at attack, as "both tremendous talents. They both do a great job scoring... and feeding me the ball, that helps me out a lot."

Doneger noted that Harrison "has done a great job playing both ends of the field." He also mentioned the play of Barrie and Lesueur, who have "stepped in and played a major role in our offense."

DiConza praised the play of these three freshmen as well.

"All three are going to make a huge impact the first game, the whole season and for the next four years to come." On the other end of the field, Watson "has done a great job on defense for us so far," said Doneger.

All of the freshmen are quickly adjusting to life as a Blue Jay. "The biggest challenge is just to do it everyday and be consistent every day," said Watson.

Among the upperclassmen, the Blue Jays return

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This year's team has a hard season ahead of it this season.

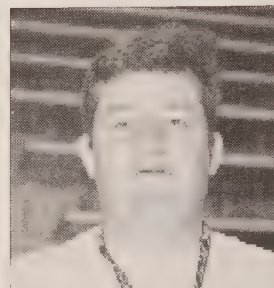
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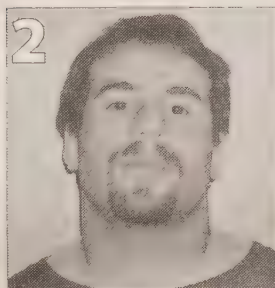
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ROB SCHERR
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COREY HARNED
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KYLE BARRIE
FRESHMAN 5'10"
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DONALD SCOTT
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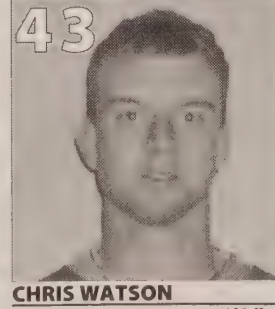
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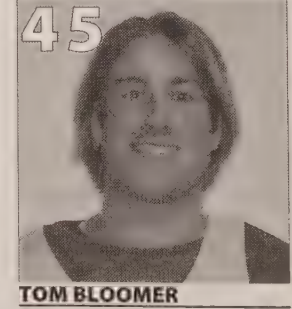
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Men's captains emphasize team unity

By Heather Warnken

Although these five players have a diverse set of personalities and strengths, and each bring something unique to the area of leadership, they have one common trait: hunger for the national championship. That being the main priority and goal on all of their minds, these five captains of the 2002 Men's Lacrosse Team are selfless, hard-working and dedicated individuals who inspire the same in their teammates.

Two Juniors (Bobby Benson #13 and Adam Doneger #25), along with three seniors (P.J. DiConza #31, Matt Hanna #11, and Nick Murtha #19) were chosen by their coaches and fellow teammates to be leaders this season, and they have been doing just that. But the best part about it is that each contributes to the captaincy by bringing something different to the table.

"Doneger's the hard-ass, Hanna's the funny mood-breaker, Bobby's the brains, Nick's the brawn and I guess I'm the old man," sums up senior captain P.J. DiConza. And they all agreed that was pretty much right on the money.

"Hard-ass" Doneger is a vocal captain who claims he just wants to be the best possible player and teammate he can be. He has a lot of confidence in every player, and above all wants this team to be the most disciplined and hard-working in the country. Adam is also a vocal and strong leader when not playing lacrosse, who encourages closeness and unity among all of the team members, as he feels it is important they are "known as great people on and off the field."

He is a social sciences major who loves spending time with his family. Adam will be making the switch from attack to midfield this season, to compensate for a loss of seniors and to put leadership in that area. He is very excited about the change and is looking to make the most of it.

He outlined inexperience not as a weakness of the team, but something that is there to work with and improve upon. "The young guys have to step up and contribute just as much as the older ones," says Adam, and he has every faith in their ability to do that.

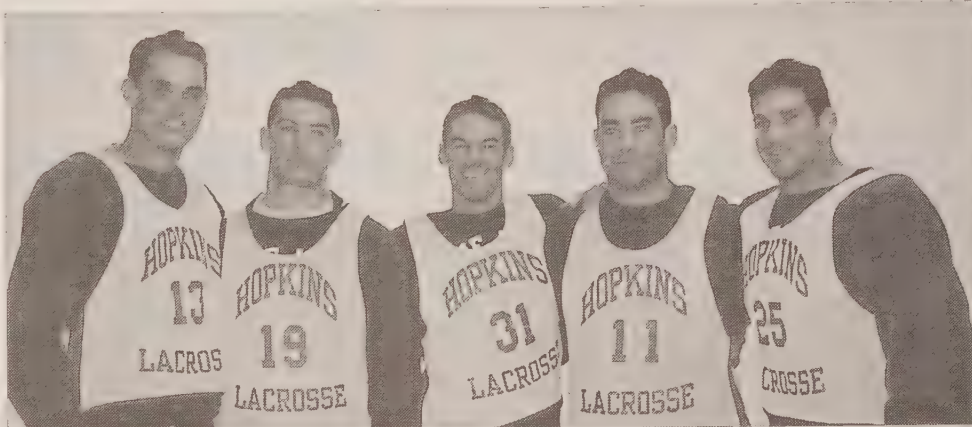
The other junior captain Bobby Benson also made note of the youth of the team, but referred to it as perhaps their greatest strength. He feels they bring a great deal of energy and enthusiasm to the field each day. "They may get thrown to the wolves initially," says Bobby, "but they will mature quickly and make huge contributions, which will be crucial to us come May."

Inexperience comes not only with the freshmen, but also in the fact that there will be older players playing new positions. But according to Bobby they have everything they need for success, and "if we keep working this hard, we'll be playing on Memorial Day." Bobby is an economics major and truly is a diehard lover of this sport.

Besides winning the national championship, senior P.J. DiConza notes another important goal for his team this season. He would like to heighten the image of the team in all areas of school life, including success in the classroom.

"We need to excel not just on the field but in all of the endeavors we pursue," DiConza said.

It is no wonder that P.J. holds these values high, as he is a dedicated student majoring in Sociology and carrying the team-high GPA. He is headed to Fordham Law School next fall.



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Bobby Benson, Nick Murtha, P. J. DiConzoza, Matt Hanna and Adam Doneger are this year's captains.

P.J. also sees the importance of reviving school spirit here at Hopkins and getting the fans truly involved and enthusiastic about what will undoubtedly be a very exciting spring. He hopes to see everyone at Homewood taking part in the Hopkins lacrosse tradition.

Funny man Matt Hanna calls himself the grandfather of the team and stressed the importance of having this group set the pace for Hopkins lacrosse in years to come. The winning tradition isn't going anywhere if Matt has anything to do with it.

Like Bobby, Matt also believes the youth could be a great strength this season. He also mentioned the small size of the senior class, but maintains that is anything but a weakness, considering there is no lack of leadership on this team and that's what really matters. Matt is a goofball who enjoys fly-fishing and breaking hearts. He's majoring in political science.

With the position of goalie, senior captain Nick Murtha has an inherent role of leader, not only of the defense, but of the every man on the field. "I have to be the quarterback of the D," says Nick, who hopes to keep opponents to seven or less goals per game.

Nick is a big fan of a good work ethic and encourages the team to give all they have, not just on game days. He claims that "you win Saturday games Sunday through Friday," and knows this team must stay focused and determined throughout these next months.

He is also a political science major and enjoys fishing, water-sports and painting the town red. Besides the ultimate goal of winning the national championship, these five captains also concur on another important element - a deep veneration for their coaches. According to Nick, "they inspire us and challenge us to work as hard as they do. They set the standard."

Matt agreed with the important idea that the coaches set the standard, stating, "Work ethic is contagious. It starts at the top and works its way down. When the coaches are working their hardest, we do too."

And it does not just have to do with shaping these individuals as lacrosse players. According to Adam, "they teach lifelong lessons to be used on and off the field."

Added P.J., "they are first-class people who have a lot of respect and work hard to instill those values of respect into their players."

"They have prepared us in every possible way. The rest will be determined by how hard we work as a team and how well we execute on the field," said Bobby.

If that is true, judging by the immense leadership and example set by these five captains, along with the obvious talent of this team, it sounds like they have every element necessary to achieve what they are hungry for.

And the rest of us can't wait to see it.

BLUE JAYS CHECK IN AT NO. 3 IN FACE-OFF 2002 PRE-SEASON POLL

Rank	School (1st place votes)	Points	Rank	School	Points
1.	Princeton (32)	917	13.	North Carolina	385
2.	Syracuse (12)	893	14.	Navy	341
3.	JOHNS HOPKINS(1)	754	15.	Cornell	209
4.	Towson (1)	751	16.	Penn State	161
5.	Virginia	678	17.	Brown	150
6.	Maryland	652	18.	UMBC	145
7.	Georgetown	621	19.	Bucknell	133
8.	Loyola	587	20.	Army	92
9.	Duke	572	21.	Delaware	87
10.	Hofstra	471	22.	Ohio State	52
11.	Notre Dame	456	23.	Hobart	46
12.	Massachusetts	455	24.	Rutgers	44
			25.	Harvard	30

Men's rookies try to find their niche at Homewood

As part of a large haul of fresh meat, this year's frosh will have to work very hard to stand out from the crowd

By Heather Warnken

#5 Kyle Barrie (Narberth, PA)

A High-School All-American, Kyle is an exceptional attackman who will be sure to make an offensive impact this season. According to him, his strengths as a player are his passing, and knowing Bobby Benson. Besides lacrosse, Kyle enjoys sewing and looking up to his hero, Richard Greiko. His main goal this spring is for this team to win the national championship.

#27 Lou Braun (Upper Arlington, OH)

This All-State, All-Midwest lacrosse player is a face-off specialist, and hopes to make an impact in that area this spring. But perhaps more importantly than his sports abilities, are the positive influence and enthusiasm he brings to the team. Lou has a wide variety of interests, and particularly enjoys giving manicures and massages, cow-tipping, as well as harboring a deep love of origami. He is a psychology major.

#37 Benson Irwin (Baltimore, MD)

A midfielder with quickness and speed, Benson will definitely contribute to the Blue Jays game this season. He was All-Conference soccer and lacrosse in high school, and besides dedication to lacrosse, he plans to major in International Studies here at Hopkins. When he is not studying hard, you can most likely find him playing Madden on Playstation 2.

#18 Kyle Harrison (Baltimore, MD)

A midfielder who earned All-American honors in high school, Kyle is projected to be an important contributor to the Jay's season. He is an incredible athlete whose strengths include speed and his dodging abilities.

When not working hard on and off the field, you can find him playing solitaire and Tekken on Playstation 2.

#30 Tom Garvey (Garden City, NY)

Winning Defensive Player of the Year in his county, as well as High School All-American honors, Tom has an immense ability for covering the ball all over the field.

His goal this season is to contribute to the defensive and man-down units whenever he can help the team.

A History major here at Hopkins, he enjoys fishing, checkers, firefighting and '80s karaoke. He loves his dog Tucker very much.

#29 Pete LeSueur (Garden City, NY)

This three-time All-American knows what it's like to win, as he experienced the New York State championship in High School with fellow Garden City player Tom Garvey, and his goal for the team this season is no different. Aside from playing as a team and taking home the national championship, Pete's individual goals include starting, and making an impact to the offense, utilizing his strengths of hustle and heart. Besides lacrosse, he enjoys candle-lit dinners, long walks on the beach, and watching his favorite movie *Shrek*. Pete plans to major in Political Science with a minor in business.

#41 Kip Malo (Denver, CO)

Kip also wants nothing less than the National Championship for this team, and his personal goal is to do whatever he can to help achieve that this year. Kip is a midfielder, and believes an important strength of his is cheering robustly from the sidelines for his teammates. His interests include basketball, chemistry, biology, and trying anything possible to remove that horrible stench from his room. His favorite activity is playing with his nieces and nephews.

#17 Sam Perry (Wilton, CT)

Coming back from a serious knee injury from this past fall, Sam's full potential has yet to be tested. A midfielder who earned All-State and All-County honors in high school, he also poses an offensive threat with a strong shot. Sam enjoys cricket, long hours in the library, late-night study sessions, "bio-nuclear physics, and stuff." For now he is looking forward to enjoying assisting in the distribution of H2O. His intended major is Political Science.

#33 Greg Raymond (Corning, NY)

A sophomore this year at Hopkins, Greg red-shirted last spring due to a knee injury, and is excited and ready to make his debut this year. Greg was an All-American in High school, and universally known as being just a super guy. A strong defenseman with exceptional athleticism and strength, as well as a year of knowledge under his belt on the inner-workings of this team, Greg, also affectionately referred to as "George," is going to make a serious impact this season. He feels that if everyone plays as a team every single day, "the winning will take care of itself." Greg plans on majoring in sociology and enjoys giving out at least a few hugs per day. His favorite movie is *The Godfather*, hands down.

#15 Mike Selawski (Elicott City, MD)

Mike is an attackman with strengths found specifically in his size and offensive abilities. An All-State Lacrosse player in high school, he was also a key

component of his Championship-winning soccer team.

Mike is a Political Science major who thoroughly enjoys school work and applying himself academically.

#3 Vince Smith (Palmyra, VA)

A two-time high school All-American, as well as Central Virginia Player of the Year, Vince is his high school's all-time leading scorer (350 points). His many strengths include his intense work ethic and quick first step, and for the team he would like nothing more than to win the national championship.

He is Sociology major here at Hopkins, and enjoys chillin' out, football, basketball and just s'traight pimpin'."

#10 Todd Smith (Wilton, CT)

Due to a serious foot injury, Todd, nicknamed Squadron, will be red-shirting this year, but that does not diminish his goal of having this team win the National Championship and go undefeated. An All-State attackman, Todd utilizes many strengths on the field, including his speed, size, stamina, and his serious guns.

Besides lacrosse, he enjoys poetry, romance novels, and tantra, but his main interest would probably have to be Britney Spears. Undecided at this point, he is leaning toward a BME major.

Although the nature of his role will be slightly different this spring, we are looking forward to his debut on the game-field next season.

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Zeke is yet another dedicated player who is very determined for this team to take home the national championship. A Senior-Allstar in High School, Zeke's personal goals this season are to become a starter and have his face on the cover of the Baltimore Sun.

His strengths include his height and athleticism which he utilizes in his defense position. Zeke enjoys finger-painting, deep sea diving, and aspires to be the next Tom Brokaw.

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Once again, the men pull one of the nation's toughest schedules

By Ron Demeter

PRINCETON

Location: Princeton, NJ
Nickname: Tigers
Home Field: Class of 1952 Stadium
Enrollment: 4,600
Colors: Orange and Black
Conference: Ivy
Head Coach: Bill Tierney
2001 Record: 14-1



Saturday, March 2, 2002 1 p.m. Home

You might see juniors and seniors wearing those snazzy "Princeton sucks" T-shirts. Unfortunately they don't.

After defeating Syracuse in the national championship game last May, Princeton solidified its spot as a national powerhouse. Over the past ten years Princeton has won six national championships.

Hopkins traditionally opens the season against Princeton, and this year the Tigers will travel to Homewood Field where the Blue Jays lost only one game all last season. Last year, Hopkins lost 8-4 to the Tigers in an away game.

Princeton lost four All-Americans from last season, but four are returning. Attackmen B.J. Prager, Ryan Boyle and Sean Hartofilis will make life miserable for Hopkins' defenders.

Their midfield and defense are just as strong as the attack. Their only weakness may be in goal, where they lost first team All-American goalie Trevor Tierney.

Coach P will have his hands full for this game, with the young Hopkins' defense having to match up with a strong Princeton offensive core.

HOFSTRA

Location: Hempstead, NY
Nickname: Flying Dutchmen
Home Field: Hofstra Stadium
Enrollment: 12,800
Colors: Gold, White, Blue
Conference: America East
Head Coach: John Danowski
2001 Record: 10-7



Saturday, March 9, 2002 1 p.m. Away

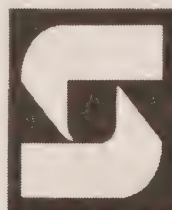
They may be Dutch, but they sure ain't flyin'. The Jays will travel to good o'le Long Island to face a Hofstra team that has lost several key players to graduation.

Hopkins has won 12 of 14 since beginning play against Hofstra in 1991, and they look to continue their dominance this season.

However, Hofstra is ranked number 10 in a pre-season coach's poll. Last season, midfielder Doug Shanahan was awarded the Tewaaron trophy, the college lacrosse equivalent of the Heisman trophy. Thankfully for Hopkins, he graduated. Despite the loss of Shanahan, Hofstra retains a strong veteran core on attack and defense.

SYRACUSE

Location: Syracuse, NY
Nickname: Orangemen
Home Field: Carrier Dome
Enrollment: 10,400
Colors: Orange
Conference: Independent
Head Coach: John Desko
2001 Record: 13-3



Saturday March 16, 2002 1:00 p.m. Home

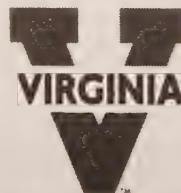
Last year Hopkins managed to pull off a victory over the Orangemen in an away game. The Orangemen made it all the way to the NCAA tournament final where they lost to Princeton in overtime. Syracuse won the national title in 2000.

The Blue Jays will have to watch out for sophomore Mike Powell. Powell, arguably the nation's best attackman, had a stronger first year than both of his brothers, Casey and Ryan Powell, two of the best ever on attack. But that's not all.

Third team All-American Mike Springer joins Powell on attack, creating the deadliest 1-2 punch in the NCAA. The 'Cuse defense returns largely intact, headed by first team All-American, John Glatzel. Scoring against their defense will pose some problems for the Blue Jay attack, while Powell and Springer will make life hell for the Blue Jay defense.

VIRGINIA

Location: Charlottesville, VA
Nickname: Cavaliers
Home Field: Klockner Stadium
Enrollment: 18,463
Colors: Orange & Blue
Conference: ACC
Head Coach: Dom Starsia
2001 Record: 13-2



Saturday, March 24, 2002 8 p.m. Away

When Thomas Jefferson founded UVA, he did not have Lacrosse in mind. Over the years, the Cavaliers have developed a Lacrosse program that has been able to compete with the like of Johns Hopkins, Princeton and Syracuse. While also competing academically with Hopkins and Princeton. Sorry Syracuse, you guys ain't the brightest.

An overtime come from behind 9-8 victory by Virginia gave the Blue Jays their only

home loss of the year.

This season the Jays will be out for vengeance against the team that handed them their sole home loss of the 2001 season.

Virginia earned a spot in the NCAA tournament last season despite their 7-7 record. They lost in overtime 14-15 against Hofstra. Their record from last year can be deceiving — they had one of the hardest schedules of any team.

With a No. 5 preseason ranking and the sparkling Conor Gill on attack, Virginia will give Hopkins some headaches in one of their toughest road matches they have this year.

ALBANY

Location: Albany, NY
Nickname: Great Danes
Home Field:
Enrollment: 12,177
Colors: Gold & Purple
Conference: America East
Head Coach: Scott Marr
2001 Record: 3-8



Tuesday, March 26, 2002 5 p.m. Home

For the Blue Jay's first tuesday game of the season they will face the Great Dabes of Albany, in a less than exciting match up.

Albany is by far the worst team on the Jay's schedule. They ended the 2001 season with a 3-8 record. More importantly, they did not face any national powerhouses.

This game will be a learning experience for many of the younger and inexperienced team members who will undoubtedly receive more playing time. Albany head coach Scott Marr will have his hands full trying to keep this game from becoming a blowout.

A few years ago Albany was named the No. 1 party school in the nation, hopefully their team will use this to their advantage after we wipe the floor with them.



FILE PHOTO

Men's Lacrosse will battle Princeton at home this year as the season opens.



NORTH CAROLINA

Location: Chapel Hill, NC
Nickname: Tar Heels
Home Field: Fetzer Field
Enrollment: 15,608
Colors: Blue & White
Conference: ACC
Head Coach: John Haus
2001 Record: 12-4



Friday, March 29, 2002 7:30 p.m.

Home

The number 13 North Carolina Tar Heels will travel up to Homewood Field for a Friday night affair. Last year, the Blue Jays easily dismantled the Tar-Heels 12-4. Carolina's team this year is built on youth. Former Hopkins Head Coach John Haus recruited a freshman class that is easily one of the most talented in the nation. Hopefully Haus will do a better job coaching the Tar Heels than he has with the Blue Jays.

After several years without a national championship, this year's team may help them work their way back up. Hopkins has won their previous seven meetings. Expect another victory, only slightly harder than last year's.



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Sophomores Matt Stoffel and Corey Harned prepare for the 2002 season at a scrimmage.

VILLANOVA

Location: Villanova, PA
Nickname: Wildcats
Home Field: Villanova Stadium
Enrollment: 7,069
Colors: Blue & White
Conference: Colonial
Head Coach: Randy Marks
2001 Record: 8-6



Tuesday, April 2, 2002 7:00 p.m.

Away

Last season the Wildcats were nipped by the Blue Jays, 11-7. Expect a better effort from this year's team, which returns virtually intact after an 8-6 season. Seven of their eight leading scorers return, but they need to find a new goalie, where a number of freshmen will be competing for playing time. Villanova is one of only two unranked opponents facing Hopkins this year. That means that there is a very good chance that our team will annihilate them.

OHIO STATE

Location: Columbus, OH
Nickname: Buckeyes
Home Field: Woody Hayes AC
Enrollment: 48,300
Colors: Scarlet & Gray
Conference: Great Western
Head Coach: Joe Breschi
2001 Record: 8-6



Saturday, April 6, 2002 1:00 p.m.

Away

Ohio State has the distinction of being the only midwestern team that the Jays will face this season. Ranked at number 22 in a preseason poll, the Buckeyes will be looking for a Great Western league title and not a national title, due to the drastic drop in Notre Dame's talent pool.

Last season the Jays' offense went wild against the Buckeyes, scoring 17 goals, while the Buckeye attack only netted seven. Expect Ohio State to come out fighting against the only contender on its weak schedule. The Buckeyes might beat us in football, but lacrosse is our sport

MARYLAND

Location: College Park, MD
Nickname: Terrapins
Home Field: Byrd Stadium
Enrollment: 33,006
Colors: Red, White, Black, Gold
Conference: ACC
Head Coach: Dave Cottle
2001 Record: 13-3



Saturday, April 13, 2002 3:00 p.m.

Home

Although not as decorated as their female counterparts, the Maryland lacrosse team is still one of the strongest in the nation. Ranked number six in a preseason poll the Terrapins will face the Blue Jays a handful. Last season Maryland topped Hopkins 10-9 in an away game. The Jays will look to exact revenge on the Terps who will be without coach Dick Edell for the first time in 19 seasons because of health reasons. Maryland has made 14 straight NCAA tournaments. Expect a very good match up on April 13.

NAVY

Location: Annapolis, MD
Nickname: Midshipmen
Home Field: Rip Miller Field
Enrollment: 4,000
Colors: Navy Blue, Gold
Conference: Independent
Head Coach: Richie Meade
2001 Record: 8-5



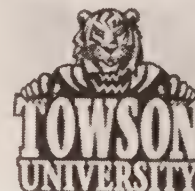
Saturday, April 20, 2002 12:00 p.m.

Away

Last season Hopkins barely defeated Navy with an 11-13 victory. Navy finished the season with an 8-5 record, but their five losses were by a total of only eight goals. The team is stronger than it seems playing close games last season against Hopkins and Maryland. Navy just missed the NCAA tournament thanks to an early loss in the season to UMBC. Their defense is superb and their leading scorer, Ed McKinnon is returning. Ranked number 14 Navy may be better than we think.

TOWSON

Location: Towson, MD
Nickname: Tigers
Home Field: Minnegan Stadium
Enrollment: 16,000
Colors: Gold, White, Black
Conference: America East
Head Coach: Tony Seaman
2001 Record: 14-4



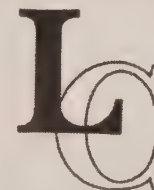
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Home

After a dismal 2000 season where the Tigers went a paltry 3-10, ex-Hopkins coach Tony Seaman turned the team around in 2001 and finished the year in the final four with a record of 14-4. With their starting attack that combined for 193 points last year returning, Towson is looking like a contender. A preseason number four ranking may be undeserved. Tony Seaman couldn't win a title with his Hopkins teams, and will probably not with his Towson unit. Last season the Jays narrowly defeated Towson 14-13.

LOYOLA

Location: Baltimore, MD
Nickname: Greyhounds
Home Field: Curley Field
Enrollment: 3,200
Colors: Green & Grey
Conference: Independent
Head Coach: Bill Dirrigl
2001 Record: 10-4



Saturday, May 4, 2002 1:00 p.m.

Home

The other Charles street residents are ranked number eight this year in a preseason poll. Loyola lost to Princeton in the elite eight last year, after defeating Georgetown in the first round of the NCAA tournament. Loyola had a 10-4 record last year, even earning an overtime victory over Syracuse. Hopkins defeated the hounds 13-10 last year in a tough match up. With their starting attack returning and preseason all-Americans on defense, Loyola will push Hopkins in its final regular season game of the season.



Pietramala returns to Hopkins with eye on championship

By Jen Farrelly

The Men's Lacrosse team coaching staff is composed of a distinguished group of Hopkins alumni who are all thrilled to be back at Homewood. A well-rounded and extremely talented staff, all four coaches are former Hopkins lacrosse captains. Dynamic Head Coach Dave Pietramala, who graduated from Hopkins in 1990, is back for his second year at the helm of the Hopkins program. He is supported by Assistant Coaches Seth Tierney ('91), Bill Dwan ('91) and Howard Offit ('81).

The staff brings a long list of accolades to the program. Coach Pietramala, affectionately known as "Petro" on campus, has been called one of the best defensive players in lacrosse history. During his time at Hopkins, Pietramala earned First Team All-American status an amazing three times and led his JHU squad to the NCAA Championship in 1987 and an appearance in the 1989 Championship game. Furthermore, Pietramala was named the nation's best defensive player in 1988 and 1989 and the nation's top player overall in 1989. He is in his second year at Hopkins after holding the head coaching position at Cornell (1998-2000) and assistant coaching positions at Hopkins, University of Pennsylvania and Loyola.

When he is not on the field or in the athletic center, "Petro" has been known to be spotted stopping by his players' classes to make sure that their Hopkins course work is their top priority. As evidenced through his player recruitments and by the high level of importance he places on academics,

Pietramala is truly dedicated to maintaining a high level of achievement among his players both on and off the field.

Assistant Coach Tierney is also back for his second year as the team's offensive coordinator. During his time at Homewood, he was a four-year letter winner for the Jays and served as team captain during his senior year.

He has also coached at Hofstra and for the New York Saints professional indoor lacrosse team. Coach Tierney was instrumental in the development of junior attackman Bobby Benson, who earned Honorable Mention All-America honors last season and who has also been named a pre-season third team All-America selection.

Also back for his second season at Hopkins is Dwan, the team's defensive coordinator. Dwan was a standout defenseman during his time at Hopkins earning All-American honors three times and sharing captain duties with Tierney in 1991. He has also coached at Loyola. Besides working with the team's defensive unit, Dwan is also responsible for the team's scouting and recruiting efforts.

Supporting the Hopkins midfield will be Assistant Coach Offit. Offit was a key member of the Hopkins

team from 1978-1981 which earned three national championships. His specialty was face-offs; Offit boasted a 78 percent face-off record during his college career.

With extremely high expectations for the 2002 team and the toughest schedule in Division 1 lacrosse, Petro and his staff enter the season with one goal in mind—to make the NCAA tournament and bring the championship honors back to Homewood.



FILE PHOTO

"Petro" was a member of the last Hopkins championship team.

Jays face tough schedule in 2002

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last year's leader in goals, assists and points in Benson. With 28 goals, 12 assists and 42 total points, he led the team in all three categories in 2001. Benson was named to the Face-Off Yearbook Preseason All-America Third Team, which he called "a great honor." He credits his teammates as a big part of his offensive success. "I'm just the lucky guy that gets to score the goals."

Benson has scored at least one goal in 23 of his 25 games as a Blue Jay, and he has had 17 multi-goal games in his career. He was the only member of last year's squad to score in all 12 games last year and also led the Jays in goals as a freshman. Benson is also a member of the 2002 United States World Team.

Also named to the All-America Third Team was Doneger, who is switching from attack to midfield this year. Doneger finished second on the team in scoring last year with 18 goals and 12 assists. He started 10 games last year and has an active 22-game scoring streak.

DiConza received an Honorable Mention nod despite missing the final five games of the 2001 season with an injury. He had racked up 19 ground balls and one goal in the seven games before he was injured. DiConza will be counted on to take charge on the defense, which lost all three of last year's starters to graduation.

The team's other two captains are seniors Murtha and Hanna. Hanna, a midfielder, played in all 12

games last year and started eight. He recorded eight goals and one assist in the 2001 season, and was one of two recipients of the JHU Coaches Most Improved Player Award. This is just his second year playing for the Blue Jay squad; he transferred here from Loyola after his sophomore year. He will be expected to lead a group of midfielders that includes 10 freshmen and sophomores.

Murtha, a goalie, won the starting job this year after playing in just one game last season. In his 11 career games, he has posted an 11.7 goals-against average and a .537 save percentage.

"The other four captains are the heart and soul of this team," said Benson.

Sophomore Kevin Boland called his captains "great leaders. They lead in all aspects of life: off the lacrosse field [and] on the lacrosse field."

The volition of all five captains is contagious. "We drive off their emotions and we perform better," said Barrie.

The captains are there first and foremost to set a good example. "Naturally everyone just looks to those guys. [They're] willing to shoulder the burden and show us what we have to do," said Watson.

In particular, Barrie noted that his fellow attackman Benson has been especially helpful. "Bobby Benson has helped me a lot with my game strategy [and] understanding the offenses," Barrie.

Right now the team is looking to fill a hole left by the graduated Eric Wedin, "one of the best face-off men in the country," said Doneger. There is not one

clear-cut replacement, however. "Now we're trying to find someone to fill that role [and] who can win face-offs for us. We have about four guys that could all possibly be the face-off guy, the job could be anybody's," said Doneger.

As the start of the season gets closer and closer, the team is anxious to get out on the field. "I can't wait to play," said Benson.

Now is the time where they get to see all of their hard work pay off. "We put a lot of time in, we're just excited about the season. We're anxious to see what we're made of and prove to ourselves we're good enough to win a championship," said Boland.

Second-year coach Dave Pietramala, a 1990 JHU graduate, and his staff have brought a lot to the team. "One strength would definitely be our coaches," said Barrie. "They keep us on our toes and prepare us to face what's coming up at the end of the week."

Even with a No. 3 pre-season ranking, some members of the team feel that there is still a lot to prove. "We're kind of underdogs. People aren't really showing us the respect that we deserve," said DiConza.

Johns Hopkins lacrosse has long been one of the top programs in the country, but "other teams aren't really respecting our tradition and our history as much as they should," said DiConza. Watson for one is well aware of what it means to be part of the Blue Jay tradition. "One of the reasons I wanted to come here was that I wanted to be able to play the best teams in the country every week. It's just more fun when everything's on the line every Saturday."

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Chris's goals this season are to work as hard as possible, and contribute in any way he can to this team winning the national championship. With that work-ethic, along with the extraordinary talent of this High School All-American, he is definitely going places. As a defender, his main strength is his decision making on the field and working the defense.

He is an International Studies major who also enjoys playing basketball and hanging out with his brother. Chris is also unbelievably intelligent, but he would never let you know that, due to yet another one of his consistent qualities, modesty.



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Young but talented, these are our future stars.

24 Bailey Witt (Yorktown, NY)

Yet another freshman to have garnered All-American honors among others in high school, Bailey is a defender whose strength is confidence, on and off the field. Other than lacrosse, he enjoys sleeping, reading and basketball, but his self-proclaimed strength is "girls." He is a pre-major major minoring in business, and his goal in life, besides marrying a trophy wife, is to be as rich as humanly possible. Um, good luck with that.

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STX STICKS

While all the women, except the goalie, use the same length stick, some men wield longer shafts than others. Goalies also use bigger heads than the rest. One of the biggest differences between the men's and women's game is the lack of a pocket in the women's stick.



CASCADE HELMETS

The men's team uses these shells to keep the scars to a bare minimum. Only the goalie in the women's game utilizes this little contraption. Other women players go without, but have mouthguards to protect their smiles. After all, gold teeth are expensive.



STX BODY ARMOR

No such thing in women's lacrosse, but only because they're not hammering each other into next week. It's a good thing that the guys have these tough, yet light, extra layers to protect themselves from our oh-so-ugly opponents.



STX GLOVES

The men use the TT22, and most customize them to their own specifications. The goalies have an open palm for proper stick handling. Women don't even bother wearing gloves. Girls are just tough like that. Plus, they don't go with the skirts.



NIKE SHOES

Hey, if they are good enough for Floor Jordan, they're good enough for the Blue Jays. Some schools play on good ol' grass and dirt, so the teams switch between dry turf shoes and cleats. The wrap keeps the guys from tripping on their laces when they run around the other team.

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How come the guys get to knock the crap out of each other?



And other differences between what's happening when the men and women take the field for lacrosse games

News-Letter Staff

The Men against the Women. In a matchup of skill, speed and finesse, who would win? In a popularity contest, the winner is clear. The Hopkins lacrosse tradition, for a century, has been the Men's Lacrosse tradition. But over the past few years, the women's team already made a name for itself in the Division III arena and has since moved on to building a Division I powerhouse. Its recent successes have not only brought it some recognition, but also competition for due respect in the Hopkins lacrosse tradition.

As the women's team continues to upgrade its schedule and as new scholarships attract more talent from the recruiting pool, the gap between Hopkins' two Division I teams will continue to narrow.

To gain any respect for a game, there must be an understanding of it. And with the spotlight on the men's team, not many fans know much about the women's game. However, there is one fan who knows the women's game well and is qualified to compare the two.

Ladies' Man

Rick Fried is the assistant coach for the Hopkins Women's Lacrosse team. As far as lacrosse goes, Fried has been there, done that. He himself has been playing lacrosse above the college level for 10 years, including offensive play as an All-American attacker at UMBC and as a professional on the Baltimore Thunder and the Philadelphia Wings. Now, he constructs his offense around female opponents.

With his inside advantage in both games, Fried has found some surprising distinctions between the two games. However, since the two sports are conceptually similar, his strategies of play didn't have to change much once he moved onto the women's field.

"Conceptually, the two games are the same thing: The goal is to score more goals and you go about it the same way," he said. The tactical aspects of settled offensive and defensive rides are also similar, according to Fried.

Men Hold Big Sticks

But visually, the two games are obviously different, from equipment to style.

"The games look totally different because one is much more physical and the other is much more finesse," Fried said. While the women wear skirts and have only a mouth guard for protection, men pad their upper body and wear helmets. Their sticks are



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Women's lax may be about "finesse," but that doesn't mean there's no physical contact.

different in that women's sticks are almost uniformly the same height and do not have a large pocket in which to carry the ball comfortably. The men, on the other hand, carry extra long sticks on the defense, some over six feet long, and all of the sticks have deep pockets that keep the ball from falling out.

"I think it takes more skill to play women's lacrosse because of the lack of the pocket," admitted Fried. "It's especially more difficult to play women's defense. You can't just throw your stick at them." He said that how women's lacrosse is not a contact sport: Only the stick in women's lacrosse may be "checked," knocked to dislodge the ball, while men "cross check" and "body check" each other to dislodge the ball. "For the women's game, you must understand the fundamentals—footwork, positioning."

Philosophizing Lax

From a coach's point of view, Fried finds another major difference in the philosophies of coaching: There seem to be no fundamental rules of play in women's lacrosse. "If you take any 10 men who play lacrosse and put them together, they'd probably figure out how to play together. Women's teams seem to be taught many different strategies."

And the amount of coaching also differs. "From the rule book, the women's philosophy is to let the game be decided by the players." This means less coaching time and less time for strategizing, which is apparent in certain rules. For example, men have two time outs per half, while women have two for the whole game. During an injury time-out, men's teams may talk to coaches, while women must stay on the field.

One recent change that moved the two sports closer together, Fried found to be detrimental to the game. For a few years, in Massachusetts, girls who played public school lacrosse wore helmets. This rule, implemented for safety, actually caused more head and neck injuries. "With equipment, players become wilder and less in control. It's not safer," explained Fried. "It's more dangerous."

Integration of the two sports is also an issue. With women's rules and women's sticks, co-ed lacrosse clubs are taking form in Australia.

There have also been cases of women playing on men's teams in high school when a women's team was not offered. And there is always the question: Men vs. Women, who would win?

Fried had an answer, and proof. Each year at UMBC, his team played the women with women's rules and women's sticks.

"The men will probably always win," said Fried, approaching the subject delicately. "So it may seem like they are more skilled, but it's not that they are better skilled with a woman's stick. It's just that men are physically stronger and faster."

For Fried, speed and strength make the men's game more exciting, offering hitting and action, but he feels the women's game is more graceful and takes more talent.

From playing plenty of men's lacrosse, to watching and coaching a great deal of both sports, Fried has come to understand what he sees and to know what he likes.

"The beauty of women's lacrosse is in the midfield connections. And while it is very exciting, I don't know if there is a beauty to men's lacrosse."

